

STILL WINNING.

OAC Track Team—Beat Everything at the big Fair Meet—A \$5000 Backer for Williams in 440.

O. A. C. track men still do business at the old stand. They carried off most of the medals and three times as many points as any other team in a big intercollegiate meet at the Fair Friday and Saturday, in which men from nearly all the Northwestern colleges and universities participated.

Greenhaw was beaten in the half mile by an Idaho man, but only by a few inches and that under great difficulties. There were two of the Idaho runners in the event and both good. They got Greenhaw in a pocket, and by clever maneuvering put him to great effort and trouble to finally pull alongside the leading runner.

The sequel to all this succession of unbroken triumphs is that the OAC track team stands at the head of the list in the Northwest with a supremacy unquestioned and unquestionable. Incidentally, it brings wide celebrity to Physical Director Trine who stands unrivalled in the care of men and in development of their powers.

All new wall paper at Blackledge's.

Lost.

Somewhere between Corvallis and Beaver Creek, a black overcoat. Finder will please leave at this office.

Notice of Final Settlement

In the Matter of the Estate of Jane Elizabeth Fisher, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned as administrator with the will annexed of the estate of Jane Elizabeth Fisher, deceased, and has filed his final account as such administrator, with the clerk of the county court of the state of Oregon, for Benton county, and the said court has fixed Saturday, the 8th day of July 1905, at the hour of 11 o'clock in forenoon of said day as the time, and the county court room in the court house in Corvallis, Oregon as the place for hearing any and all objections to said account, and for settlement thereof.

Dated June 10, 1905. E. E. Wilson, Administrator of the will annexed of the estate of Jane Eliz. Fisher, decd.

For Sale or Rent.

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All kinds of fire works at Hodes' gun store.

AS BENTON WAS THEN.

Letter Written in 1846 Describes it—Mariah King, the Writer.

Back in Ohio, there is an aged letter that is of striking interest in Benton county. It was written in Kings Valley on the first day of April, 1846, more than 59 years ago. It tells of a long tedious and perilous journey across the plains by ox team, and of conditions in what was then the new land, known in the East as the Oregon country. The writer was Mrs Mariah King, now Mrs. Sol King.

Though written on April 1st, it was August before the letter reached Missouri. That is to say, nearly five months was required for its delivery at a destination requiring but three or four days. The start across the plains by the Kings was from Missouri, in the spring of 1845. Four years before that, or in 1841, the family had moved to Missouri from Ohio.

In the later journey, the emigrant train consisted of 200 ox wagons, or a party numbering over 100 families. The letter in question appeared recently in the Advocate, a paper published at Plain City, Ohio. In full, it is as follows:

Lucciamute Valley, Oregon, April 1, 1846.

Dear Mother, Brothers and Sisters: After traveling six months we arrived at Lynton on the Willamette, November first. We had beautiful weather all the way, no rain of any account. We got along finely till we came to Fort Boiesen, within three miles of Lynton, when along came a man by the name of Meiks who said he could take us over a new route across the Cascade mountains to the Willamette river in twenty days, so a large company of a hundred and fifty or two hundred wagons left the old road to follow the new pilot and traveled for two months over sand, rocks, hills, and everything else but good roads.

Two thirds of the immigrants ran out of provisions and had to live on beef, but as it happened, we had plenty of flour and bacon to last us through, but worse than all of this, death and sickness attended us the rest of our way. I wrote to you at Fort Larima that the whooping cough and measles went through our camp, and after we took the new route a slow, lingering fever prevailed. Out of Chamber L. Forton's, John's and our families, no one escaped but Solomon and myself. But listen at the deaths: Sally Chambers, John King and his wife and their little daughter Electa, and their babe, a son of nine months old, and Dulaney C. Norton's sister is gone. Mr. A. Fuller, lost his wife and daughter Tabitha. Eight of our two families have gone to their long homes. Stephen was taken with the fever at Fort Boiesen, he had not been well since we left Ohio, but was then taken worse. He was sick for three months, we did not expect him to live for a long time, was a raid he had the consumption, but he is now well and hearty, and getting fat every day. He weighs as much as he did when he came from over the mountains, and as for myself, I was never heartier in my life than I have been since I left Missouri, I have not had even one sick day: the rest of us are getting well and hearty, now I believe.

Those that went on the old route got through six months before us with no sickness at all. Upwards of fifty died on the new route.

The Indians did not disturb us any except stealing our horses. We have made our claim in a valley on the Lucciamute, a western branch of the Willamette, not a day's ride from the ocean, and one hundred miles south of the Columbia river. It is a beautiful country as far as I have seen. Every person over eighteen holds a section by making improvements and living on it five years. They sow from October till June, and the best wheat I ever saw and plenty of it at \$1 and 75 cents per bushel, potatoes 25 cents; peas, \$1; corn, 50 cents; beef 6 cents and 8 cents; pork, 10 cents; sugar, 12 1-2 cents; coffee, 20 cents; molasses, 50 cents; tea, 75 cents; calico, 10 cents to 50 cents; and salt is a cent a pound. Mills are plenty, no trouble about grinding. The water is all soft like in Massachusetts. Salt springs are common and fresh water springs without number. It is now the first of April and not a particle of snow has fallen in the valley, neither have I seen a bit of ice a half inch thick this winter, but it rains nearly all winter, but does not hinder them from ploughing and sowing wheat. We have the most frost in the spring. They don't make garden till the last of April, or the first of May but it comes good when it does come. There is thousands of strawberries, gooseberries, black berries, whortleberries, currants, and other wild fruits, but no nuts, except filberts and a few chestnuts.

The timber is principally fir and oak.

You perhaps would like to know how I like the county. I like it well. It is any easy place to make a living. You can raise as many cattle as you please and not cost you a cent, for the grass is green the whole winter and cattle are as fat as if they had been stall fed the whole year round. Wheat is raised without any trouble and will fetch anything the same as cash. A wagon from a \$100 to \$150, \$100 for a yoke of oxen, and \$50 for a cow. And work will fetch anything you want at from \$1 to \$1.50 per day. \$1 a hundred for making pails and so on. And although I was so much opposed to coming as any one could be, if I were back there and know what I know now I should be perfectly willing to come.

The land you get is sufficient to pay you for your trouble and if you were here and John and Warren and each of them and yourself had a claim, I should like to live here. We all have claims joining. What winter states will do for us I cannot tell, you know more about that than I do. The Indians appear to be very friendly, like to have the Bostons come as they call us. You think it is a long road and so it is, but the worst is over when you get started. Be sure and have a plenty flour, that is the main object, start with 175 or 200 pounds, and 75 pounds of bacon to the person; fetch no more beds than you want to use; start with clothing a plenty to last one year after you get here if you have nothing to buy with, after that you will raise a plenty to get clothing; start with at least four or five yoke of cattle to a wagon, young cattle four and five years old are the best; fetch what coffee, sugar and such other things you like; if you should be sick you will need them.

I write as though I expected you to come, I need not do that as I know of, although I wish you were here. I can't help but believe that you would be suited, not that it will ever do my poor mother any good but to see her children well fixed to get a living. That is, if congress does anything for Oregon. It is not like any other new country—a farm to pay for. It is already paid for when you get here.

You do not know how I want to see you, and if I am never to see you let me hear from you as possible. How I want to know how you get along and what you all are doing. Tell Lany I expect to see him any minute.

We have had two weddings in our family, Rolland Chambers to Lovcia Kin5, and Amos King to Malinda Fullen. Young men have to pay five dollars for five years if they don't live on their claims. The people all look healthy and hearty here. We are looking for Moses Moon and Herman Hallock this fall.

Write the first opportunity, and everyone. From your affectionate children,

Stephed and Mariah King.

A SUNDAY WEDDING.

Two Benton County People the Parties

—Hecker—King.

With Archbishop Christie of Portland, officiating, a pretty wedding took place at the Catholic church in Corvallis at two o'clock Sunday afternoon. The interested parties were Miss Adelaide Hecker of Wells, and Arnold King of Corvallis. The ceremony was witnessed by only immediate relatives, and at its conclusion, the newly married pair departed at once for Albany by private conveyance.

The bride was exquisitely gowned in pearl gray crepe de chine over silk, with trimmings of cream lace and chiffon. She carried a shower bouquet of cream roses. The bridesmaid was Miss Ella King sister of the groom, and J. C. Lowe acted as best man.

The bride, who is one of Benton's fairest girls, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hecker of Wells. The groom is a well known and highly respected young man of Benton, and their many friends unite in good wishes and congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. King will reside for the present in Albany, where Mr. King is a lineman for the Independent Telephone Co.

Notice of Final Settlement,

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, administratrix of the estate of Jacob Whitaker, deceased has filed in the county court of the state of Oregon, for Benton county, her final account as such administratrix of said estate, and that Saturday the 8th day of July, 1905, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. has been fixed by said court as the time for hearing objections to said report and the settlement thereof.

Nancy L. Whitaker, Administratrix of the estate of Jacob Whitaker, deceased.

Attention.

You who have carpenter work, house painting or papering to let by contract should get my figures on the same before placing contracts. My estimates will cost you nothing and might save you dollars. Headquarters at H. M. Stone's office. Independent phone. Dixie line Charles Holt.

Cord Wood Sale.

Call up No. 1 Phone, P. A. Kline live. P. A. Kline.

Notice to Builders.

Sealed bids will be received up to 3 o'clock Saturday June 17th, 1905 for the remodeling of the M. E. church of Corvallis, Ore. in accordance with the plans and specifications now at the office of Ambler & Watters. Reserve the right to reject any and all bids. Virgil E. Watters, Chr. Bldg. Com.

—John L. Sullivan, champion of the world for 12 years, with his high class vaudeville company, will be in Albany one night, June 21. John L. Sullivan will give a sparring exhibition with John McCormack. Prices 75, 50 and 25.

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Real Estate, Loan and Insurance Corvallis and Philomath, Oregon.

Great Removal Sale!

In order to reduce our stock and save moving we will offer a reduction of 5 per cent on all goods bought for CASH commencing June 5th and continue until removal occurs, about June 25th. Quite frequently a merchant offers a reduction on a special line of goods, but not often a discount is given on everything you buy as will be the case in this SPECIAL REMOVAL SALE.

This does not apply to small purchases of less than \$1. Remember the date, June 5th.

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