

LOCAL LOBB.

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Basket ball tonight. Carpets at cost at Hollenberg & Cady's. Peter Zieroff is in Portland for medical treatment. Marion Frantz of Kings Valley was in Corvallis yesterday, looking after telephone interests. There is to be a basket ball game in the Armory tonight. It will be the O. A. C. second team and the Independence athletic club. Assessor Davis has been interviewing taxpayers in Summit and Blodgett precincts the past week. He left yesterday for Philomath, and is to devote the current week to that town. A St. Patrick's party is to be given at City Hall by the Ladies Coffee Club next Saturday evening. All the details will be carried out in harmony with the occasion. Dancing will be the amusement, for which the music will be extra good. The contract to supply the court house with wood was awarded at last week's session of the court. I. H. Jackson is to furnish 25 cords of oak at \$3.45; August Webber, 35 cords split maple at \$2.83; W. R. Dixon, 10 cords old growth body fir, \$3.40. At 3:30 this afternoon, the condition of Prof. Pernot was slightly better. His temperature was only 99, and his pulse was only 108. His malady is not the usual form of pneumonia, due to asthmatic complications. The crisis which usually comes in seven days, is said not to have been reached in his case, though the 13th day has passed. Thirty five representatives of the various rural lines centering in Corvallis held a meeting at the court house Saturday for a more perfect organization. Thomas Cooper was chairman and Mr. Brush, secretary. There was considerable discussion, and a general expression for a more compact union. A committee was appointed to prepare constitution and by-laws, with instructions to report at a meeting to be held on the 24th inst. A well to do farmer from a remote corner of the county journeyed all the way to the sheriff's office through the cold wave the other day to pay his taxes. There, he learned that Sheriff Burnett's lists were in the hands of four or five people in his precinct, and that he might have paid his taxes there and have saved the long trip to town. Complete notice about the lists were published in both Corvallis papers, but he is not a subscriber of either. The trip cost him more than thirty papers for a year would have cost him. Thursday is the last day for getting rebates for payment of taxes. Those who want the three per cent will have to part with their money in short order or it will be too late. Up to yesterday \$34,000 had been collected and turned over to the treasurer. From Friday noon to Monday noon 215 people paid, giving Sheriff Burnett, who doesn't have deputies, a touch of the strenuous life. Up to this forenoon, 1,210 receipts had been issued. A big tax was paid yesterday when the receipts were issued for the Southern Pacific track, rolling stock and land. The company remitted \$3,271.30 for the purpose. The sum was about \$30 more than the amount of the tax, and it was returned by the sheriff under a dazed state of mind as to how a railroad company could have made such a break. The company is assessed on 11 1/4 miles of road bed at \$4,000 a mile and 50,000 acres of land, besides other property. Call for City Warrants. There is money in the Treasury to pay warrant number 3489 drawn on the General fund and endorsed Oct. 14, 1902. There is also money in the Treasury to pay all warrants drawn on the Street fund and endorsed prior to Dec. 22, 1905. Interest will stop on the same from this date. Dated at Corvallis Oregon March 10 1906. Wm. McLagan, City Treasurer.

ON CASH BASIS NOW.

Benton County Doesn't owe a Dollar—Treasurer's new Call.

Benton county is out of debt. It is probably the only county in Oregon in that happy condition. Three years ago was the first time the county became debtless since the memory of man runneth not to the contrary. It paid cash till mid-summer and then began to issue warrants. The next spring, and last year the last warrant was again redeemed and cash payments resumed for several months. Yesterday, Treasurer Buchanan called in every warrant outstanding, and is ready with the cash as fast as they can be presented. The condition looks good to the citizen. It is a worthy boast when a stranger visits us to be able to say, "the county is out of debt." It is an especially agreeable thing, because they cannot say it elsewhere. It has all been done too in the face of more road building than has been done in 10 years before in Benton county. It takes \$8,700 to call in all the warrants, of which there are 426 outstanding. It cancels all warrants endorsed since November 24th last year.

WHEN THEY REMIT.

Get Names Mixed With Curious Consequences—Some Illustrations.

They encounter an occasional curiosity in the way of checks in the process of tax collecting over at the sheriff's office. A draft came from a Portlander yesterday made payable to "M. P. Benton." Of course the sender meant to write it "M. P. Burnett," but apparently got his drinks mixed and wrote it "Benton" instead of "Burnett." The draft was returned to him with a request that he send one that the sheriff could cash without committing forgery. In many an instance in making out checks the sheriff's name is badly mangled, running anywhere from "Bornit" to "Burnit." The sheriff always indorses with the name spelled exactly as on the face of the check, but once when he had to write his own name "B-o-n-n-e-t," he nearly swooned away after executing the job. His condition was still worse on another day when he had to write it, "Busted."

Yesterday a check was received by the sheriff with everything filled out except the amount. This was left blank on purpose by the sender for the sheriff to fill in the amount of the taxes which he himself did not know. In fact, several of the same kind have been received since the taxpaying began, one of which, that came the other day, had nothing on it but the sender's name. He left everything else to be filled in by Sheriff Burnett. The incident illustrates what confidence people have in their sheriff.

MADE THIRTY THOUSAND.

Instead of Fifteen as now—Big Increase in Allowance for O. A. C. Station.

Yesterday, the United States senate passed a bill materially affecting the O. A. C. experiment station. The same bill passed the lower house of congress a month ago. It makes this year an increase of \$5,000 in the experiment fund, raising the amount to \$20,000 and still further increases the sum each year until the annual allowance for the station will be \$30,000, instead of \$15,000 as now. A telegram dated at Washington yesterday, and printed in today's Oregonian, is as follows: The Senate this evening passed the bill which passed the House February 15, providing for an increased annual appropriation for agricultural experiment stations of \$5,000 for the present year, and by an additional sum of \$2,000 per year for five years, the annual amount to be paid thereafter to each state and territory maintaining such agricultural station to be \$30,000, which is double the present appropriation.

Rape seed for sale at Kline's; 7 cents per pound. Call for Warrants. Notice is hereby given that there is money on hand at the county treasurer's office to pay all orders endorsed and marked not paid for want of funds up to and including March 12th 1906. Interest will be stopped on same from this date. Corvallis, Or. March 24th, 1906. W. A. Buchanan, Treasurer Benton Co. Or.

50 Cents Per Setting For eggs. Best brown Leghorns. J. B. Irvine, Corvallis.

DEMOCRATIC WARRIORS.

They Assemble for Conference Next Friday Night—Many are Coming.

The gathering of the unterrified clans occurs at the court house next Friday evening. The invitation to attend includes every democrat in the county. State Committeeman Johnson particularly urges that every precinct shall send a delegation. Not only will matters of a local character be considered, but things involved in the state campaign will be discussed. It will be an all-round pow-wow with every brave present on an equal footing and with just as much of authority as any other warrior in the gathering. Several of the brethren from the outside communities have already sent in notice of their purpose to be present. Willard Price has phoned in from Kings Valley that he will be in with a band of braves. Matt Wilhelm and others at Monroe have signified an intention to come if possible, and T. W. B. Smith has served a similar notice. Whether any of the Alsea warriors will be on hand has not been learned, but urgent requests for them to send out a delegation have been sent in to the valley. It goes without saying that there will be a good delegation from Soap Creek, and a similar one from Philomath. The question has been raised concerning why the meeting is called for the evening, to which State Committeeman Johnson replies that those who are to come from the outside precincts will have to remain over night, and that there will be many others who cannot spare the time during the day to attend the gathering. The matter was considered at length and it was finally concluded that more would be accommodated by a night session than at a day meeting. Asked about the proposed conference, State Committeeman Johnson said: "Yes, I called the democrats of Benton county together at the solicitation of a number of the prominent members of the party, and because I believe it is a good thing to assemble and discuss matters that might be brought before them at this time. 'Do you suppose they will nominate or suggest candidates for office to be voted for next June?' 'It is difficult to suppose just what a lot of democrats will do when they get together. But one thing is certain, whatever they do will meet with the general approval of the democrats of the county, for there is no rivalry for office in the ranks and no special differences of opinion. Every democrat in the county is invited to be present, and as there are no political slates to be broken or hidden mysteries to be revealed, we have no fear but that the meeting will be harmonious and result in the general welfare of the organization'."

Eckhard's Ideals

Eckhard's Ideals appeared three nights at Davis opera house this week, to audiences not so large as the merits of the company deserved. The first night, "Virginia," a melo-drama of the old school, was presented. Specialties were introduced between acts. Tuesday evening "Because He Loved Her," was the bill. This play was more quiet in action than the first night's offering, but was interesting from the vein of comedy and heart interest which ran through it. Wednesday night, "A Fight for Honor," was the bill, and was melo-dramatic enough to suit anyone, and was well rendered. The company, take all in all, is a good one and above the average of traveling aggregations. The people all present a good appearance and the plays are well staged and acted.—Medford Mail.

For County Recorder.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the democratic nomination for the office of county recorder, subject to the decision of the voters, at the primaries April 20th. HARLEY L. HALL.

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ALBANY WON.

State Oratorical Contest—Many O. A. C. Students There—Special Excursion.

The oratorical contest between the colleges of the state for the current year is history, and an Albany man is winner. The event transpired in the Presbyterian church at Albany Friday night, and in the audience were upwards of 200 students and others from Corvallis. Most of the O. A. C. people went down on the six o'clock train, and returned on a special after the contest. They had by far the largest delegation and made a very creditable showing. Prof. Horner, Physical Director Trine and Harry Beard were the only representatives of the O. A. C. faculty. The final findings, in which Francis Galloway of the State University and John Withycombe of O. A. C. were assigned places near the foot of the column was travesty on the name of oratory. By this is not meant that the Albany College man was not entitled to first place, for his effort was very good. The criticized feature is the manner in which Galloway and Withycombe were thrown down. One of the judges on delivery remarked afterward that they did not talk enough prohibition to suit him, which means doubtless that he was marking not on gesture, rhetorical effect, enunciation and other points of delivery, but on the subject matter of the speeches, and on the question of how it suited his whims. Incidentally it may be said, he marked Withycombe 68 on delivery, while Prof. Baldwin marked Withycombe 97, giving him first place. A more strikingly absurd proposition however, is, that the other judge on delivery marked Withycombe 49. With one judge marking at 49 the same effort that another one graded at 97, the decision simply takes on the character of the absurd, wholly and completely. Of course, in the very nature of things judges will differ to a reasonable degree, because of the taste of each with reference to style of delivery and composition. But, when a grade of 49 was given to Withycombe the extreme limit of the nonsensical was reached by a judge who demonstrated himself to be about as capable of judging a contest in oratory as a pig is capable of judging a Sunday school lesson. The executive committee of the Oratorical Association should provide better judges or quit the business.

Dry Slab Wood.

At the Corvallis sawmill, delivered anywhere in town at \$1.25 per load, cash on delivery. feb27-1m.

Corvallis & Eastern RAILROAD

TIME CARD 31

Table with 2 columns: Train Number and Schedule. Includes entries for No 2 for Yaquina, No 1 Returning, No 3 for Albany-Detroit, No 4 from Detroit, No 5 for Albany, No 6 for Corvallis, No 7 for Albany, No 8 for Corvallis, No 9 for Albany, No 10 for Corvallis, No 11 for Albany, Sunday only, No 12 for Corvallis, Sunday only.

Train 1 arrives in Albany in time to connect with S. P. southbound train. Train 2 connects with S. P. trains at Corvallis and Albany, giving direct service to Newport and adjacent beaches. Train 3 leaves Albany for Detroit at 7:30 a. m. arriving in ample time to reach the Breitenbush hot springs the same day. Train 4 between Albany and Detroit connects with Eugene local at Albany also with local for Corvallis. Train 5 leaves Corvallis at 6:30 a. m. arrives at Albany 7:10 in time to catch Eugene local for Portland and train to Detroit. Train 8 leaves Albany for Corvallis at 8:00 a. m. after arrival of northbound Eugene local. Train 7 leaves Corvallis at 5:00 p. m. arrives in Albany in time to connect with local for Eugene and way points. Train 6 leaves Albany for Corvallis at 7:35 p. m. after arrival of S. P. local from Portland.

For further information apply to J. C. MAYO, Gen Pass Agt T. Cockrell, agt Albany, H. H. Cronise, agt Corvallis.

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