

LOCAL LORE.

—Tom Nolan returned yesterday from a Portland visit.

—J. H. Harris left Sunday for a business visit in Portland.

—Floyd Huff was a Portland visitor during the holidays.

—Chas. Cropp returned Sunday from Dallas where he spent the vacation.

—Miss Helen Gates arrived Sunday for a visit at the John Smith home.

—Waldo Finn a member of the football team arrived in Corvallis Sunday after spending a few days at his home in McCoy.

—Harry Fryer of 5 left Sunday for Portland after a visit with college friends.

—Miss Lamb of Portland was the guest of Miss Kate Moore during the Thanksgiving holidays, she returned Monday.

—Miss Agnes von der Helen a member of the '06 class was in Corvallis for the vacation—she returned yesterday to her duties as school teacher at Yaquina.

—Miss Ada McDonald of Alpha Hall was a guest at the Simpson home in Polk county during the holidays, she returned Sunday noon.

—The annual Thanksgiving ball at the Armory Wednesday evening was a very pretty one, and notwithstanding the absence of many guests was well attended. The music was furnished by Steelhammer's orchestra of Salem.

—A parents meeting is to be held by Superintendent Denman at Summit next Saturday. A full program with literary and musical features has been arranged, and there will be a basket dinner. It takes place at the Summit School house.

—There will be services at the Good Samaritan Episcopal church on Sunday the 9th, conducted by the Rev. C. H. Powell of Colusa Cal. at 11 a. m. 7:30 p. m. Also services will be held on Monday evening the 10th. Conducted by Bishop Scadding at 7:30 p. m. All are very cordially invited to each of these services.

—A much needed improvement is being carried out at the college under the direction of Prof. Coote. The old fence along the walk which leads from the Administration building to Alpha hall, has been removed and a new wire fence is undergoing construction. The shrubbery is being pruned into shape and the trash burned. The effect is very noticeable.

—The sidewalk to be used in building brick, lumber and other materials to the Woman's building at the college is nearly completed and will be ready for use in a few days. The iron and ties are all laid and only the finishing touches are to be added. The siding begins near Oak Creek bridge and runs northeasterly to the building site.

—Marshall Miller has received a letter from a Portland man making inquiry about the prospects and opportunities for building an electric line into Corvallis. The letter does not give full information and its character is such as to leave the impression that the writer is a promoter and that he expects the vicinity to furnish the cash for the enterprise.

—The appearance of Prof. Tailor and Miss Sheehy at an organ recital next Friday night will be heard with delight by the music loving people of Corvallis. Both of these artists have just entered the full zenith of their powers and will do ample justice to the difficult numbers on their program. The robust majestic tones of the organ and the sweet human voice will be found blending in beautiful harmony.

—A citizen was in a critical frame of mind yesterday. The city, he said, had required barbed wire for use in protecting hedges along the side walks to be taken down. Much stress had been laid on the enforcement of the law in that particular, and in many cases wire was actually dragged out of hedges that by growth had completely enveloped them. At the same time he concluded, the city park is completely fenced with wire, and there the wire is allowed to stand unchallenged and unforbidden.

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—J. B. Horner gave an Egyptian missionary talk Sunday evening in the U. P. church at Shedd.

—The Ladies Whist Club is to be entertained tomorrow afternoon at the country home of Mrs. Gus Harding.

—Frank Pendergrass returned Monday from a visit with relatives at Amity.

—F. D. McLaughlin spent a few days in Portland during the Thanksgiving holidays, visiting friends.

—Miss Maud Stevens gave a dancing party in Albany last evening. John Withycombe, Charles Sheenfield, Reuben Wills and Miss Edna Allen attended from this city.

—The plumbers are at work today putting in the pipe for heating the new postoffice building. The heat is to be brought from a heating apparatus located in the basement of the bank brick.

—Attend the meeting of the Benton County Citizens League tonight in Firemen's hall. Plans will be discussed at that time for the organization of a Commercial club, and for the leasing and furnishing of permanent quarters.

—The Woodmen of the World have elected officers for the ensuing year as follows: C. C., L. C. Porter; A. L., A. K. Russ; banker, George Fuller; Clerk, W. A. Buchanan; physicians, G. R. Farra and B. A. Cathey; sport, W. J. Moore; watchman, A. E. Lewis; sentry, George E. Lilly; Manager, A. P. Johnson.

—The car shortage meeting at Eugene tomorrow is attracting much attention and promises to be largely attended. President Johnson will bring the matter up at the Citizen's League meeting tonight and will probably appoint a delegation from Corvallis to attend. The paralysis of various industries resultant from the car shortage is far more serious than anything of the kind yet seen in Oregon where car shortage has been a disease for many years.

—Eighty-eight business men have signed the call for organization of a commercial club in Corvallis. Twenty more members are expected to sign a call sent out for circulation among members of the college faculty. With more than 100 already on the list the success of the final organization of the enterprise is considered certain. Preliminary will be discussed and action taken at a meeting of the Citizen's League to be held tonight.

—In the probate court: J. F. Yates has been authorized to procure the Benton Abstract Company to complete an abstracted digest of all property belonging to the estate of T. E. Hogg to Lincoln and Benton counties. Eva I. Miller, administratrix of the estate of W. F. Miller has filed her bond for \$6,000 with Titus Ranney and E. F. Strouts as sureties. E. F. Strouts, Robert McFarland and William Clark have been appointed appraisers. B. W. Johnson, M. M. Davis and G. R. Farra have been appointed appraisers of the estate of C. H. Lee.

—Corvallis is in the embrace of a brick famine. An advertisement elsewhere relates that the Corvallis brick yard is without a supply. The chief stock of the yard was exhausted by W. O. Heckert for use on the new bank brick. The brick for the woman's building comes from Salem and along the Westside. The amount required is over 400,000 and in securing this huge quantity it is said Contractor Suook gobbled up everything in sight. A man who wanted 250 for an extension of a flue for his home was unable to secure them a day or two ago.

—Sunday was pleasant, and many people journeyed out to inspect the work on the new Woman's building at the college. The excavation is in progress and is rapidly approaching a finished stage. The frames are going up for the concrete basement and everything is moving along with systematic precision. The completion of the siding will be of great convenience in getting materials on the ground. It is probable that every person who has been at the scene and observed the immensity of the foundation was astounded at the proportion of the proposed building.

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temptuously disregarded. Finding that he could secure no capital, no rates and no cars, Mr. Sweet said that he finally disposed of his claims to J. H. Judeon for \$4,000 and they soon afterward passed into the hands of the coal company.

But this did not end Sweet's troubles. He said that he secured employment on the Rio Grande Western railroad, but was discharged through the influence of the coal company officials, who also exerted pressure on a New York bonding company to have his bond canceled. He said that, while he was working as agent and operator in the office of the Pleasant Valley Coal company at Colton, Utah, he had instructions to copy from the commercial wires of the Western Union Telegraph company all messages affecting the interests of the coal company. The attention of the president of the Western Union was called to this practice and the wires were removed from the office.

State Senator George B. Whitmore told of the armed occupation of George D. Halladay's property by Robert Kirker and other armed men. Mr. Whitmore said he had coal land of his own, but did not work it, because the railroad company demanded \$3 a ton for hauling it to market.

"They said," Mr. Whitmore testified, "that they could sell me the coal cheaper in Salt Lake."

North Yakima, Wash., Dec. 1.—Becoming desperate over the failure of the Northern Pacific to place coal on the siding here for the relief of the people without fuel, a raid was made on a coal train this morning as it was passing through the city. When the train stopped a score or more of the people who had been waiting in line for three days for their turn to get coal boarded the coal cars and began to load the fuel into their wagons, drawn up along side of the track. Trainmen came along to stop them, but after a threat to bodily harm, the trainmen left the men taking the coal. Offers were made to pay for it, but there was no one on hand to receive the price.

Three trainloads of 100 cars passed through during the day, and late this afternoon only four carloads were set in here. This was done after the superintendent of the division had been notified that there was a movement on foot to hold up the trains and rob them of the fuel.

The situation is critical here. There is no fuel at the City hall, and many of the school districts are out and will have to close. Only four carloads have been received here since Wednesday.

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Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed the executor of the estate of Ann Compton, deceased, by the county court of the state of Oregon, for Benton county. All persons having claims against said estate are notified to present the same duly verified as by law required within six months from the date hereof, to the undersigned at the office of E. E. Eryson, in the city of Corvallis, Oregon. JAMES J. FLETT, Executor of the estate of Ann Compton, deceased.

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