

# A Happy New Year

For many years it has been our good fortune to annually express our appreciation for increased patronage from our friends. This year has been no exception and we want to thank you for the biggest trade in our history. It has been a banner year with us, breaking all records. We hope to continue to enjoy your confidence and to merit, your custom to such an extent that this year's business will be surpassed during the year of 1907.



## Greatest of all Last Sales

AT  
**F. L. MILLER'S**

Will begin Wednesday January 2nd 1907. Offering bargains in every department. And as is our custom we will make this one of the BARGAINS events of the year. Space will not permit to quote prices on every article in the BIG STORE. But will remind you that it is a genuine sale. And everything goes at reduced prices.

### DRY GOODS

10c Outing Flannel at.....	8 1/2c
12 1/2c do do.....	10c
1 lot colored dress goods.....	25
1 lot do do.....	35
1 lot \$1 do.....	60
54 in navy and green homespun.....	45
34 in blue ladies clothe.....	45
15c silkoleen.....	10
12 3/4c do.....	09
Extra heavy mixed shirting 20c grades goes at 12c	

### Men and Boys Clothing

\$10 mens suits reduced.....	\$ 7 95
\$15 do do.....	\$12.00
\$16.50 do do.....	\$13.25
\$20.00 do do.....	\$16.00
\$2.50 boys suits reduced to.....	\$ 1.95
\$3.00 do.....	\$2.25
\$3.50 do.....	\$2.95
\$4.50 do.....	\$3.45

Youths clothing is included in this sale

**20 yards good calico \$1:00**  
**Extra on table Linen-Napkins**

**Notice to Creditors.**  
In the Matter of the Estate of JASPER HAYDEN, Deceased.  
Notice is hereby given to all persons concerned that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Jasper Hayden, deceased, by the county court of the state of Oregon for Benton county. All persons having claims against said estate of Jasper Hayden, deceased, are hereby required to present the same with the proper vouchers duly verified as by law required within six months from the date hereof to the undersigned at her residence in Alsea Valley in Benton county, Oregon, or at the law office of R. E. Wilson, in Corvallis, Oregon.  
Dated November 9, 1906.  
AGNES HAYDEN,  
Administratrix of the estate of Jasper Hayden, deceased.

**Notice of Final Settlement.**  
In the County Court in the State of Oregon, for the County of Benton.  
In the Matter of the Estate of Mary A. Garlinger, Deceased.  
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has hereby filed her final account in the estate of Mary A. Garlinger, deceased, and the court has set February 4, 1907, at the hour of 2 o'clock P. M. as the time and the county court room, county court house, Corvallis, Oregon, as the place to hear objections to the same.  
Dated this 28th day of December, 1906.  
MALINDA P. STARR,  
Executrix of the last will and testament of Mary A. Garlinger deceased.

### LOCAL LORE.

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

—Prof. Cooté is spending the holidays at the bay.

—Born in Corvallis, Saturday, to the wife of Roy Rickard, a son.

—Mrs. B. W. Hinton and children are spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Childers, near Bruce.

—When the Corvallis postoffice is moved into its new quarters, the fixtures have been in use here for years, are to be shipped to Dallas.

—Mr. and Mrs. Wells arrived Saturday evening from Portland, where they went last week to take their son Kenneth for medical advice.

—The Right Rev. C. Scadding, D. D., Bishop of Oregon, will hold services at the Good Samaritan Church on Sunday the 6th at 11 a. m. Everyone cordially invited to this service.

—Mr. Clearwater, a gentleman accompanying Mr. Skipton to Corvallis on a horse buying tour, purchased the well known pacing horse owned by G. H. Moore. He was averse to selling the animal, but it is stated that he obtained a good, round price for his favorite.

—Several horses shipped Friday morning by boat from Corvallis. They were animals bought by Mr. Wm. Skipton and Mr. Clearwater. Among the purchases was a black three-year-old Percheon colt obtained from John Whitaker.

—Charles McHenry and Roy Price have formed a partnership in the real estate business. A feature of the business will be the promotion of residence building. They have secured rooms for the present over First National Bank, Corvallis.

—Dr. W. A. C. Handford, wife and son, arrived from Portland Thursday, to become permanent residents of Corvallis. Dr. Handford has purchased the dental parlors of Dr. Lester, and becomes the successor of the latter, who has been in business here 16 years. That Dr. Lester has retired from the practice of dentistry is regretted by many patrons, but it seems probable that Dr. Handford will be able to render excellent professional service.

### THAT WILD MAN.

**Escaped From Asylum—Was Captured and Returned to Salem.**

Saturday a rumor found currency in town to the effect that a wild man was at large in the timber on the Beach place just across the river. Inquiry developed the fact that a man sparsely clad and acting in a strange manner had recently been seen at intervals in the neighborhood, his first appearance being on Thursday. He wore no coat nor vest, the upper portion of his body being clad in a hickory shirt. A pair of tattered overalls which failed utterly in the purpose for which they were intended, gave evidence of shattered reason. He had only a semblance of covering for his feet, and he was compelled to shuffle along without raising his feet in order to prevent his shins from falling off. He was without socks, but he had attempted to supply their place by wrapping straw about his feet. He was emaciated to an extreme degree. The unfortunate man's whole appearance gave evidence of much privation and travel upon inhospitable courses.

Representatives of the Benton county sheriff's office sought the man upon two occasions but were unable to locate him. Finally, on Saturday night a phone message came to Sheriff Burnett stating that a posse of Linn county farmers had the wild man surrounded, five miles east of Corvallis, and desired the sheriff's presence. It was out of Sheriff Burnett's jurisdiction, and again it was as near to Albany as so Corvallis, so the Benton sheriff referred the matter to the Linn county sheriff.

Saturday the latter took the strange man into custody, but he refused to give any account of himself except to say that he was on his way to the Chehalis mountains. Report is that the man had escaped from the asylum two or three weeks ago, and that he was returned to that institution Saturday evening.

Santa Claus has certainly picked Victor Moses' store as his headquarters this year. He gives no prizes, but relies on the merits of his goods to sell them.

**LOST. Locket and chain.** It is blue having shape of a heart. Finder please leave at this office.

### THE MASKED BURGLAR.

**How He Wasn't Captured—Other Incidents That Town People Are Smiling About.**

There was a masked burglar in the north part of Corvallis, Friday morning, maybe. The circumstances are as follows:

Claud Wiley looks after Johnny Spangler's chickens while Mr. Spangler and family are out of town. As Claud was performing his duties outside of the Spangler home, he saw, or thought he saw, a masked man at one of the windows. The intruder is reported to have said, "Get out of this you little rascal!" Claud gave the alarm, and in course of a few minutes, there was surrounding the Spangler home an armed posse consisting of Chief Lane, Constable Wells, Jesse Wiley, Grant Elgin, Mike Bauer, Prof. Cordley, W. P. Lafferty, and others. They were armed with all sorts of implements of warfare, from an antiquated pepperbox derringer to a .45-90 Remington. A hasty inspection of arms disclosed the fact that Prof. Cordley's gun wasn't loaded, but it was calculated that the size of his weapon would be in itself formidable, and he was allowed to remain on the firing line.

When every avenue of possible escape was well guarded, when every detail had been settled, Chief Lane and Constable Wells entered the house, bearing themselves with all the fortitude which is presumed to attach to their positions, and began a systematic search for the burglar.

Meanwhile the outside guards stood in momentary expectation of being compelled to shed human blood in defense of law and order. But the burglar failed to put in appearance, and after a lapse of fifteen minutes, when the nervous strain began to seriously affect the guards, Chief Lane made his appearance on the front porch, and in a few well-chosen words assured the battle array that, in his opinion, the burglar had, previous to their arrival, effected a successful "skidoo."

### Grant Elgin's Mistake.

When Grant Elgin saunters homeward these dusky evenings, he frequently meets his wife with babe in arms, at a point a block distant from their home. Here, on such occasions, in the shade of the old maple tree, he frequently exercises the prerogative of husband and father and kisses—the baby.

It was at this identical location as Grant walked homeward in the shadow of Wednesday evening, that he heard the croak of a child that was borne in the arms of its mother. Grant addressed them in his usual fatherly manner and essayed to take the child from its mother's embrace.

To Grant's utter surprise and mortification, the lady sprang away with the exclamation, "How dare you approach me in this manner Mr. Elgin!" It was the voice of a neighbor woman, and it was not until late the following day that the incident was adjusted to the satisfaction of all concerned.

### She Didn't Kick Miller.

The number of patrons in F. L. Miller's store recently was severely taxing the energies of the clerical force. A young lady stepped in. Mr. Miller himself went forward to wait upon her. She wanted shoes for herself. Mr. Miller sat upon a low stool fitting the shoes, when suddenly his seat lurched and the merchant fell backward, heels up. The commotion attracted attention, and a clerk, observing the situation exclaimed, "Hello, Mr. Miller, did she kick you over?" Every person present, with one exception, regarded the incident with lively hilarity.

### Jim Lewis Wasn't In.

The necessities of this story require the statement that C. A. Robinson and James L. Lewis, Corvallis real estate dealers, are men who, to put it as mildly as possible, have no love for each other.

A short time ago, a young lady stenographer was required by her employers to convey a package of legal papers to Mr. Lewis. She hastened to the office of Robinson & Stevenson, and upon entering asked if Mr. Lewis was in.

Mr. Robinson colored visibly at the mention of the name, but arose and managed to inquire, with a degree of politeness, "What Lewis, please?"

"Mr. Jim Lewis," innocently responded the young lady.

A darker cloud overspread Mr. Robinson's face, and with something of a tremor in his voice, but still having a purpose to be civil, answered with considerable force, "No indeed, he is not in here."

The visitor could see that her auditor was mentally perturbed in some way on her account and essayed an apology which seemed only to further inflame a passion already severely wrought upon.

"Perhaps," said the stenographer, "I am laboring under a misapprehension. Is Mr. Lewis not connected with this office?"

It was some time before Mr. Robinson was able to speak. In the mean time his countenance became purple; he stared at his feminine visitor with distended eyes; he swelled up to abnormal proportions; his breath came in little snorts like the exhaust of a gasoline engine, but was able finally to shout:

"GREAT GOD! NO!" and continued: "Jim Lewis connected with this office? Why, he has no office—in a house! His office is in the STREET! He is a——"

But the messenger had gotten out of the real estate rooms as the spangled lady retires from the den of lions, and the office door closed upon Mr. Robinson's unfinished sentence.

### IS NOT PLEDGED.

**On Senate Organization—The Plot Thickens—Senator Johnson and Mr. Carter.**

The organization of the legislature is attracting large attention throughout the state. It is discussed more apparently than ever before. Why it should be so is not known, for there is less significance to it than ever before. There is no question of who is to be senator to be decided. That was done by the people in June, and the wire-pulling and barter usually incident on that account is dispensed with. The most that is left to struggle over is the temporary honor and power incident to the offices of president of the senate and speaker of the house. Men have petty ambitions and these have to be reckoned with in all walks of life, in the legislatures as well as out of them.

One wants to be speaker, another chairman of the ways and means committee and so on through the legislative schedule, just as one wants to be constable of a precinct and another president of the United States. These influences are contriving to make long and loud talk on the subject of legislative organization.

For president of the senate, Senator Haines of Washington, a very excellent gentleman and Senator Hodson of Multnomah, another meritorious citizen are the leading candidates. Senator Haines is a banker been Hillsboro and Senator Hodson is a member of a well known printing and publishing house. His friends claim that the Washington County man has the plum already landed, but Mr. Hodson's friends deny it. In this connection Senator Johnson of Benton, is as yet unalligned. He is frequently counted with the Hodson line-up but it is without authority. Senator Johnson and a number of central Willamette Valley senators have an organization of their own in which they are understood to be pledged to act together not only as to organization but in all matters of legislation. They claim that it is only by some such arrangement for standing together for better or worse are they able to make headway against the more numerous delegations of the larger counties. Senator Johnson declared yesterday that his organization is still intact and that he is absolutely pledged to neither candidate for the presidency, and expects to so remain until the proper time comes.

It is understood that Representative Carter is similarly situated in the house. A three or four-cornered fight is in progress for the speakership with chips falling in all directions. Frank Davey the well-known newspaper man is a leading candidate and is said to have lots of backers, his friends claiming that he has no less than 34 already pledged. Ben Jones of Polk is another leading candidate whose friends are active in his behalf, while W. L. Vawter of Medford, is also in the field, and with many supporters. Vawter's strength is said to be aided by Multnomah sympathizers, who will, if they can not land a Multnomah man go largely to him because of what he did for Multnomah on the speakership two years ago. It is, however, a fact that Davey's friends in Multnomah who will go to him even over a Multnomah candidate. Representative Carter, so far, is declared to be unpledged and, with an abiding hope of landing in the right camp when it comes time to line up and vote.

People having Second Hand goods of any kind for sale, drop a postal to O. Rogoway, Corvallis, Ore., and he will call.

### BIGGEST ON THE COAST.

**Is To Have Great Meeting—Many Bentonites Going to Attend.**

The excellent program and directory of the State Horticultural society just being sent out by the secretary, E. R. Lake, marks an epoch in the history of this most useful and efficient organization.

It now ranks as the largest organization of its kind on the Pacific coast and one of the largest, if not the largest in the United States, the membership numbering something over six hundred.

This present large membership is due to a very active campaign just finished by the society's committee on affiliated local societies. At the last annual meeting the constitution of the society was so amended as to include local organization through affiliation, and as a result of the work done by this committee a dozen or more county and district organizations have been effected. To the work of this committee has been added a very strong factor in the cups offered by the commission men of Portland who last year gave seven cups. J. H. Reid gave one. This year the commission men give eight, the nursemen three, society officers, one. H. S. Gile & Company, Salem, one, the society, four, besides several minor awards. There is no doubt that it is this feature that will draw the large attendance that is assured at the annual meet, in the K. P. Hall, Portland, Tuesday, January 8 and lasting three days.

Last year's exhibit of fruit was a plate contest; this year it will be a commercial package contest, with a few plates, this condition being requested by those who have donated the cups. This fact will make the exhibit doubly valuable to the grower, sacker and shipper of fruit from an educational point of view as the exhibitors on this occasion will be from British Columbia, Idaho, Washington, Eastern, and Southern and Western Oregon and possibly Hood River.

Southern Oregon has a greater interest in this competition than in any former event of the kind in the society's history.

Willamette Valley growers will try to show those Hood River chaps a thing or two in apples, and in walnuts for which there are fourteen special prizes. Willamette, Oregon and the Valley will show something surprising to even the oldest.

The Horticulturist who misses this meeting will certainly fail to see the biggest commercial fruit exhibit ever made in the Pacific Northwest and the greatest event thus far in the history of the Oregon State Horticultural Society.

### NEW ADS TODAY.

**FOR SALE.** A windmill, tower and 2500 gallon reduced tank. Inquire at Corvallis sawmill.

**FOR SALE** Thoroughbred 2 year old Bull. Delux separator 350 pounds capacity, nearly new. E. J. Harrington phone 704.

**WAKE UP.** Take notice. There will be sold at Corvallis Auction on Saturday next commencing at 11 a. m. sharp. The following good driving horses, cows, lumber, 3 inch wago new wagon. Other articles too numerous to mention here. Come prepared to buy—bring something to sell.

Rogoway's Second Hand Store.

**PIANO TUNING** up to May 1st. at special prices. Also music taught in all grades of difficulty. Frank A. White, phone 405. Corvallis, Ore.

**LOST** between Lobster and Invalde a large Holstein Jersey cow. The animal has an injured eye. Rubin Norwood, Hillsburg, Oregon.

**WANTED** at once by old established publishing house five good solicitors on good salary basis call for Stephens at Corvallis Hotel. Apply on Monday from 1 p. m. to 7:30 p. m.

**FOR SALE** mill and timber, sawmill and 80 acres fine timber for sale. Terms. Inquire E. E. Totten, Corvallis, Oregon.

### WANTED.

**WANTED.** Two more car loads of vetch seed for Spring delivery, vetch hay. For sale or trade a 6 year old horse, clean clover seeds, and all kinds of farm seeds. see samples at Welsch & Gray's store. L. L. Brooks.

**WANTED.** Men to cut 300 cords of wood by Mike J. Grand. For information apply at Wm. Broders.

**DON'T FORGET** the auction sale each Saturday at the Red Front Barn.