

The Beaver base ball nine of this city is to meet an Albany team on the college diamond at 2 P. M. Saturday. Admission 10 cents.

FIFTY THOUSAND IN BENTON.

Railroad Lands—Movement to Force Their Sale at \$2.50 per Acre.

Are Southern Pacific railroad lands in Benton to be sold to actual settlers at \$2.50 per acre? There are 50,000 acres of such lands in the county. They lie mostly in southwestern Benton, extending from Marys Peak to the Lane county line. There are also many quarter sections and smaller subdivisions in Willamette and other precincts. Many of the quarters are covered with a heavy growth of the finest timber, aggregating millions of feet per quarter. None of the lands can be bought at any price, having been withdrawn a few years ago from the market. At first the price of the timber lands was raised to \$8 per acre, and then to \$12.50, but ultimately they were withdrawn from sale altogether.

There is a law under which it is claimed that the railroad is compelled to sell these lands to actual settlers at \$2.50 per acre. It is the law that grants the lands to the railroad in order to aid in construction. The company was the Oregon Central, and for several years before the grant was made, it has been struggling to get funds with which to construct the road. A provision of the grant was that 20 miles of road should be built within a given time. After several extensions of the time limit had been made, finally, under an act of congress approved April 10th, 1869, the twenty miles was built, and the terms of the grant complied with. In the act however, it was specified that the lands should be sold to actual settlers at \$2.50 per acre. It was also specified that the terms of the grant should be accepted by the company within a year, and that proper acknowledgment of this acceptance should be made. This acknowledgment was made by the company, the provision with reference to sale at \$2.50 included. In spite of these terms, the railroad company has held the lands, and has now withdrawn them from sale the plan being to hold them until lands go to a higher price and the largest possible profit realized. Originally the grant eastside and westside, comprised 6,500,000 acres. In all about 3,000,000 acres remain unsold. It is claimed that nearly the half of Jackson county is thus tied up, and the development of the section retarded by the action of the company.

The movement to compel the company to observe the terms of the law, had its beginning at the Eugene Shipper's convention. There it was advocated by Mr. Killingsworth of Portland, and Mr. Mullett of Jackson county. In Jackson it was a political issue at the election last year, and it was on that issue that Senator Mullett was elected. Senator Bourne and Congressman Hawley have since taken the matter up at Washington and the metropolitan newspapers have been discussing it. The president is reported to have become interested, as has the attorney general of the United States. The contention is that either legal proceedings or an additional congressional act will force the railroad to put the lands on the market under the terms of the land grant law. There is no doubt but that the agitation will result in action by high authorities, and it looks very much like the lands will yet go to actual settlers at the original government price, although the railroad claims it has a perfect title. The opening of the lands under the terms of the grant would give very great impetus to settlement and development of Benton, and still greater impetus to such development and settlement in other counties, particularly in Southern Oregon.

Bids Wanted.

Bids will be received by the County Court up to Wednesday, May 1st, at 10 o'clock a.m. of said day for completing the unfinished portion of the wagon road around Digger Mountain in Benton County, Oregon, according to specifications now on file with the county clerk at the Court House. The right to reject any and all bids, by order of the County Court. T. T. Vincent, Clerk.

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I want you to know how much Chamberlain's Salve has done for me. It has cured my face of a skin disease of almost twenty years' standing. I have been treated by several as smart physicians as we have in this country and they did me no good, but two boxes of this salve has cured me.—Mrs. FARRIS GARRIS, Troy, Ala. Chamberlain's Salve is for sale by Graham & Wortham.

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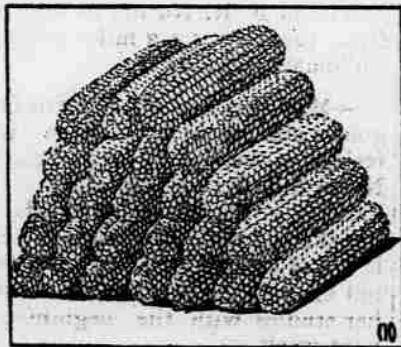
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SEED CORN TEST.

Important Point in Securing a Good Stand in the Field.

For testing corn take a tight wooden box eighteen inches square and four to six inches deep (or of some convenient



GOOD EARS OF WHITE CORN.

dimensions), put in two or three inches of moist sand and cover with a piece of white muslin which has been ruled into squares about two inches across. Have the seed corn laid on a table or shelf where it will not be disturbed. From the first ear take kernels from near the butt, middle and tip of ear, then turn the ear over and take three more kernels from the other side. Place these six kernels in the first check or square (No. 1); take six kernels from the second ear and place in the second square (No. 2), etc., until you have sampled all of the ears. Cover the grain carefully with another piece of cloth about the same size as the box and also with a second piece of cloth enough larger to extend up on the sides to the top of the box. Put in one or two inches more of moist sand and keep the box in the ordinary living room temperature of the house. Add more water if the sand becomes too dry. The corn should germinate in from three to five days. Those ears whose kernels do not all germinate in five days should be discarded.

Vetch Pasture in Spring.

In western Oregon and Washington, where fall sown vetch matures for hay in June and rains are not infrequent at this season of the year, it is quite a common practice to pasture it in the early spring—March and April—to keep the growth from becoming so heavy that it will fall before it is cut and to retard its development so that haymaking will occur after the rains are over. If the crop is heavy and falls during bad weather, it is best to make ensilage of it immediately.

Cost of Hauling Wheat by Wagon. Transportation Expert Frank Andrews places the average cost to the farmer of hauling wheat from farms to shipping points at 8 cents per 100 pounds; the average distance hauled, 9.4 miles, and the average wagon load of wheat, 3,323 pounds, thus containing about fifty-five bushels.

Land Plaster on Clover.

In the Willamette valley, Oregon, it is a common practice to apply land plaster to clover in the spring during March and April. From forty to sixty pounds per acre applied on the surface of the ground in the early spring are said to double the yield of both hay and seed.

After Milking.

Milk is often spoiled by allowing it to stand in the barn too long after it is drawn. It readily absorbs odors from the air, and odors of the barn are usually very much in evidence. For this reason the milk should be quickly removed to a place free from odors.

Garden seeds of all kinds at Zierolf's.

CIRCUS SPECIAL.

Corvallis & Eastern Railroad Co.

Will run following special trains between Corvallis and Albany on Wednesday, May 1, 1907; account NORRIS & ROWE circus exhibiting at Albany afternoon and evening of this date.

From Corvallis	From Albany
6:30 A. M.	12:50 P. M.
8:56 "	2:25 "
11:30 "	5:00 "
6:00 "	10:00 "

Train scheduled to leave Albany at 10:00 P. M. will not depart until after the close of the night performance.

TICKETS at special rate of 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children under 12 years of age will be on sale May 1, 1907, good for this date only.

H. H. LING, Agent.
GEO. F. NEVINS,
Gen. Pass. Agent.

Special Announcement.

If you own an Edison Phonograph here is your opportunity. The Portland Phonograph Agency, 128 Seventh St., Portland, Or., beg to announce that on all orders for 12 or more Edison records the EXPRESS charges will be PAID to Corvallis. This firm is one of the largest and most reliable on the coast, dealing especially in Edison goods and guarantee every record to be brand new. Price of records 35 cents each. Complete catalogue of records for the asking. Phonographs sold on easy payments at cash prices.

Real Estate Transfers

The following real estate transfers have been recorded since Monday.

United States to Edna Tetherow 160 acres in Alsea.

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Adam and Elizabeth Wilhelm to Manley Buckingham 160 acres near Bellfountain, \$2,000.

Ola Larson to W. C. Crawford 60 acres south of Philomath, \$1,500.

Belle Sherwood to Pearl M. Ham 10 acres near Albany.

John Colmer to Monroe Timber Co., 162 acres near Monroe, \$2,200.

Ed A. Cummings and wife to Jerome Everett two lots in blk. 1, \$1,300.

J. B. Horner and wife to Rufus B. Mason one lot in blk. 13, \$650.

Moses Bros. to R. J. Moses two lots in Philomath, \$10.

W. A. Wells and wife to H. Harrison 150 acres in Blodgett, \$5.

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Notice to Creditors.

In the Matter of the Estate of Margaret Radir, Deceased. Notice is hereby given to all persons concerned that the undersigned has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of Margaret Radir, deceased, by the county court of Benton county, state of Oregon. All persons having claims against said estate of Margaret Radir, deceased, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified as by law required, within six months from the date hereof to the undersigned at the law office of E. E. Wilson in Corvallis, Oregon.

Dated this March 22, 1907.
ELIZA P. SMITH,
Executrix of the last will and testament of Margaret Radir, deceased.

Notice to Creditors.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of Elizabeth V. Taylor, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same duly verified as by law required, within six months from the date of this notice to the undersigned at the office of M. E. Padden & Bryson, attorneys, Corvallis, Oregon. Dated at Corvallis, Oregon, this 29th day of March, 1907.

MARY A. BUCHANAN,
Administrator of the estate of Elizabeth V. Taylor, deceased.

Notice to Creditors.

NOTICE is hereby given to all whom it may concern that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of B. F. Hyland, deceased, by the county court of Benton county, Oregon. All persons having claims against the estate of said B. F. Hyland, deceased are hereby required to present the same, with proper vouchers therefor, duly verified as by law required, within six months from the date hereof, to the undersigned at the office of McFadden & Bryson, attorneys, Corvallis, Oregon. Dated at Corvallis, Oregon, this 29th day of March, 1907.

MARY A. DINGES,
Administratrix of the estate of B. F. Hyland, deceased.

Notice of Final Settlement.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned administratrix of the estate of Thomas J. Wright, deceased, has filed in the county court of Benton county, Oregon, her final account as such administratrix of said estate and that Monday, the 6th day of May, 1907, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. has been fixed by said court as the time set for hearing objections to said report and settlement thereof. Dated March 19, 1907.

MELOENA WRIGHT,
Administratrix of the estate of Thos. J. Wright, Deceased.

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