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

"Too Much Soda in the Biscuit" at the Opera House, Friday, May 17th.

A dozen or 15 Modern Woodmen go to Albany tonight to attend a big meeting of the order which will be addressed by several leaders of the organization from abroad. The trip will be made by private conveyance.

The next game to be played by the O. A. C. base ball team will be with the University of Oregon nine at Eugene on the 18th inst. The same teams will play on O. A. C. field about Commencement time.

Henry and Clarence Houth have become partners in the Corvallis Meat Company which conducts the market in the Taylor brick. The other members of the firm is J. C. Hammel. The retiring members are George Crown and Thomas Lees. The new owners took possession Friday morning.

The O. A. C. base-ball men defeated the Chemawa nine in a game on college field Saturday afternoon with a score of nine to six. Todd and Wolf were the battery for O. A. C. and Poland and Teabo for Chemawa. The O. A. C. lineup was as usual. Todd's pitching was hardly up to the high standard of former games.

The date after your name in the address on your TIMES tells to what time your subscription is paid. If you are in arrears, it looks bad. Of course your neighbor looks every time he gets hold of your paper to see how you stand. Ten chances to one he gossips about it with your other neighbors.

"Had quite n' argument 'd'ay, m' dear, wish college professor," said Luschman, arriving home. "Now, w'at'sh proper zhing to shay: 'I have drank, or 'I have drunk'?"

"The proper thing for you to say," replied his wife, "is 'I am drunk'." "Are you? Well, to all truth, m' dear, sho 'm I."

S. L. Kline and family now occupy the new home at the corner of Jefferson and Fourth, recently completed. Work began on the structure last August, and has been in progress ever since. It is one of the most expensive as well as one of the most elegant homes in Corvallis. The removal occurred Saturday.

The following transfers have been filed for record at the recorder's office: George Jobes to M. B. Rankin, 40 acres in Alsea, \$900; J. D. Whitaker and wife to M. B. Rankin, 80 acres in Alsea, \$1,200; J. A. Veness and wife to M. B. Rankin, 3265 in Alsea, \$1; C. E. Ireland and wife to M. B. Rankin, 320 in Alsea, \$5.25; Ben Olson and wife to M. B. Rankin, 160 acres southwest of Philomath, \$1; J. W. Writsman to Rachael Mishler, 8 acres near Albany, \$7,000; C. H. Barnell and wife to J. M. Howard, east one-half of three lots in block 22, \$1,500; John W. Simson to Emma Holroyd, two lots in block 19, Dixon's addition, \$5.25; Ben Olson to Hiram Parker, 160 acres near Blodgett, \$1800; T. C. Sparkman and wife to Charles Bunnell, two lots in block E, \$550.

This particular Corvallis man keeps poultry. He also keeps bees. One of his bees got after a rooster Sunday and the sequel was side-splitting to all but the rooster. He scented the danger and acted accordingly. As the bee buzzed about his head he side stepped, dodged and pirouetted. He was more agile than a dancing master at a soiree, and forty times as much excited. He ducked to avoid punishment, chased to the right and to the left. His gaze was constantly on the bee, and the bee was strenuous in the pursuit. Whenever the bee swung for his head the bird dipped, sometimes turning a somersault in order to keep his comb out of reach of the stinger. Finally, man-like, with his legs spread apart like a whipped puppie and running like a locomotive, he dived among a bevy of hens that had been watching the matinee. Then the bee disappeared, and man-like again, as he gasped for breath the badly winded king of the poultry yard uttered a shaky crow of triumph, as though he had won the scrap. The incident happened at Norton Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Hollenberg were guests of Monroe friends over Sunday.

Mrs. Charles M. Cady, of Palisade Colorado arrived Friday and is a guest at the home of J. J. Cady, her father-in-law.

The frame work is up on a new house that Peter Bengen is erecting on lots West of the Denman property near the college. It is near the house of Mr. Imbler which is now nearing completion.

MAY 17th. Watch for the program next week. Among other things a humorous selection entitled "Too Much Soda in the Biscuit." Entertainment given for the benefit of the Free Reading Room, May 17th.

J. C. Hammel discredits the report that he is considering a hotel proposition in Albany. He is still pushing a plan for a new and elegant hotel property in Corvallis.

The fire loss sustained by M. Porter in the burning of his residence and contents has been adjusted by Hubbard Bryant of Albany. His policy was for \$1,200 and was in the Oregon Fire Relief of McMinnville. The full amount was allowed, and has been paid.

The terms upon which the transfer of the Corvallis sawmill was made have never been made public, and are not now definitely known. The figure however is said to have been \$60,000 in cash, and a large tract of land in Texas, aggregating in all, about \$85,000. The new firm owns many mills and is said to have unlimited capital.

Albany Herald: More hotel talk has it that the erection of a hotel building on the corner of First and Lion street opposite the Russ House is in contemplation. The lot which is now occupied by the Burkhardt real estate agency, is the property of J. K. Weatherford. Mr. Hammel, former proprietor of the Corvallis Hotel, the principal hostelry of the city up the river, has had his eye on Albany as a hotel town and has consulted with Mr. Weatherford concerning the matter of erecting a building here. Asked about the matter yesterday, Mr. Weatherford admitted that the subject had been presented to him but indicated that he would be in no great hurry about building.

The fact that Dr. Kerr, the newly elected president of the college was born in the Mormon church, has been published by a few of the newspapers. Incidentally the principal and best recommendations of Dr. Kerr came from well known anti-Mormon sources in Utah, and were remarkable for their unreserved and unstinted commendation of the ability and sterling worth of Dr. Kerr. One thing certain is, that if a man is born in the Mormon church and subsequently withdraws from it, he is, if that church is a bad church, entitled to infinitely more credit than a man who was never so identified.

The TIMES is to move in a few days to the room formerly occupied by the Bell Telephone office. Two or three reasons occasion the change, foremost among which is the fact that patrons of the paper have for a long time complained at the long climb on a stairway in order to reach the office. For their convenience and acknowledgment of their long steadfast patronage the removal to a ground floor is made. One other reason is that there are a few subscribers with whom it is almost impossible to find the way to the office to pay subscription and the paper is going into quarters so easy to find that even a wayfaring man cannot fail to see it.

In the long relay race from Salem to Portland Saturday where-in ten Indian runners from the Chemawa Indian training school competed against ten white men from the Portland Y M C A the brown and endurance of the American Indian proved superior to that of the white men, and the honor of delivering the Governor's message to Mayor Lane of Portland fell to the lot of Amos Smoker, a fifteen year old Klamath Indian. At exactly six minutes past three o'clock the tenth Indian of the relay team handed the message to Mayor Lane who waited in the Y. M. C. A. building. The runner led by twelve and a quarter minutes, his nearest paleface competitor being two miles or more behind. The entire distance of 51.3 miles from Salem to Portland had been covered by ten Indians runners in the remarkable time of 5 hours and 26 minutes. Through out the entire heartbreaking race the red skinned runners led their white competitors, and at no time after the first lap had been completed was there any doubt of the result.

Assessor Davis is interviewing tax payers in Philomath precinct. The assessment of the four Corvallis precincts has been completed.

City water rent is payable in advance at the office by the 10th of the month.

The entertainment for the Village Improvement society, which includes a funny farce and other interesting features is to take place at the Opera House Friday night.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church are to hold a public reception for Dr. and Mrs. J. R. N. Bell Wednesday evening, to which the public is cordially invited.

Mrs. H. E. Burns and her son, Archie, spent Sunday in this city. Archie holds an important position as an electrician with the Pacific States telephone company in Portland.

P. M. Abbey, of Newport, a well-known hotel man, passed through town Monday enroute to Portland to enter a sanitarium.

At the mask skating carnival Saturday night Mrs. Will Holgate was awarded first prize for best sustained lady character and Will Reed received second prize. The boys carrying off prizes were Leon Flett, first and Virgil Avery, second.

Dr. Farra is making arrangements to oil the streets in the vicinity of his residence. Residents on Fifth street are going to sprinkle the street from Dr. Pernot's to Chas. Hout's and those on College street will sprinkle from Dr. Farra's to the Methodist church. The work is provided for by voluntary contribution.

J. C. Hammel returned yesterday from Waldport where he August Fischer, W. F. Keady, and a Waldport man own a saw mill. The mill has a cut of 18,000 feet, and is bountifully supplied with timber. The output is shipped by schooner to San Francisco and other ports.

The E. E. Paddock prune orchard across the Willamette has become the property of Mayor Johnson. Property owned by him in Salem was given in exchange to Mr. Paddock for the orchard. An ad in the TIMES that cost a dollar led to the exchange, according to the statement of Mr. Paddock when he paid the bill.

The German church in this city has finally been completed, and is to be dedicated next Sunday. Dedicatory service will be conducted in the morning by Rev. H. C. Ebeling, of Gaston, and in the evening by W. A. Brehrens, of Portland. The erection of the church was begun last year. It is a very comfortable structure. A debt of \$1,200 of which \$500 is to the synod remains to be settled.

Delay is overtaking the Woman's building by the inability of Contractor Snook to get pressed brick. The brick comes from Newberg, and deliveries are far short of requirements. The estimate is now that construction will be delayed at least a month by this condition. Only a small force can be utilized and it is mainly directed on inside wood work as far as the incomplete stage of the brick work will permit.

Hotel Corvallis re-opens to the public Thursday. As will be seen by a notice elsewhere, the first meal will be dinner at five o'clock that day. The proprietor is Charles L. Baker, who was born in Corvallis about 25 years ago. He is a son of R. F. Baker, for ten years the proprietor of the leading hotel at Junction. The Corvallis has been thoroughly overhauled during the six weeks that it has been closed, and is newly furnished throughout.

A hundred dollars has been raised toward a fund for a horse poultry, and live stock show to be given in Corvallis early in July. The horse show of last year was so successful an event from every standpoint that it was determined at the time to make the affair permanent. It has also been considered advisable to add displays of poultry, cattle, swine, sheep and possibly other features. George Armstrong sent the ball rolling a day or two ago by starting out with a subscription paper, and with only six men interviewed \$75.00 was pledged. Twenty five dollars was added by another man this morning, and interest is gathering as the ball rolls. The matter will probably engross public attention to a large extent within the near future. It ought to be.

National Steel Ranges, at Kempin's new store north of Hotel Corvallis.