

THE Exposition at Portland will open Oct. 5th. That the state at large will be well represented goes without saying. That this exhibition of Oregon's productions will be of incalculable benefit to the state is conceded by all observers of industrial displays.

THE government revenues for September will exceed expenditures a considerable amount. That this is but corroborative of the assertion that times are steadily growing better goes without saying. The depression has been worldwide as every observer knows, and to so know requires not close scrutiny.

HILLSBORO's sister city, Forest Grove, is really to be congratulated upon choosing the Holly system for city water. Thus it will always have an abundance of water supply, pure and cool. A visit to the Gales' Peak water right was sufficient evidence that no city of Forest Grove's pretensions wanted its water supply from such an inadequate source.

IT would appear that there should be some remedy for the conditions now obtaining in the assessment of personal property. Parties who have notes, secured or unsecured, are often slow about turning in such valuations to the assessor. This country has a few such cases, and if the theory is correct, a man might have thousands of dollars' worth of mortgages and yet not pay any taxes, if he resides outside of the state.

THE one glowing peculiarity of the Willamette valley is the fact that the husbandman does not have to depend upon two or three stereotyped productions from year to year. Perhaps nowhere in the known world can be found a similar section in this regard, to the territory west of the Cascade mountains. Everything, but tropical, can be raised in the fruit line; vegetables of all kinds and cereals rank the highest on the coast. Oregon for diversified farming.

THESE times are not the most propitious for the raising of a testimonial for the U. S. Battleship Oregon. Whilst the residents of the state keenly appreciate the honor of an instrument of war named after their commonwealth, the raising of \$10,000 for a silver service for natty officers to dine upon is rather suggestive of clannishness and caste. An officer is no better than any other citizen, and the school children of the state should not waste a cent. Oregon's name will stand the consequences in good grace.

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SOME time since it was stated in these columns that the Ross hop product had one-half its amount sold at contract for ten cents. The informant gave us the news in good faith and it was so published, since, proving erroneous. These little errors will creep in despite precaution. Speaking of hops, one of the best papers devoting space to this industry is the Commerce, of Puyallup, handed to us by Zina Wood, Jr. It is replete with news interesting to hop growers, and is being published in the richest hop producing district on Puget Sound.

IT has largely obtained that populists have been making assertions that populism was Jeffersonian democracy. No democrat is foolish enough to digest any such rot. A true democrat, who is a democrat because democratic principles are cardinal virtues, has sense enough to see that when such statements are made, some one is training for votes. If populism is Jeffersonian democracy, there would be no populism. And the man who discovers no difference between the principles of democracy and the noise of populistic chaos is in a sad plight. Certainly, populism will be alright some day—of course it will. When it has a new platform, with its objectionable features eliminated, new leaders, and new blood, like the old jack-knife with a new handle and blade it will be a "pretty good knife, and the same old knife after all."

A sentiment, which is sectional only, cannot always be kept alive by the venom of professional politicians. When a government, of by, and for the people, has as much in common as has this, from the Canadian boundary to the West Indian Islands and Mexico, differences which have been settled by bloodshed do not last forever. Sectional strife between the north and reconstructed south would long since have been buried but for the cant of pot-house politicians. The hand of brotherhood clasped, years ago, across the Mason and Dixon line, but many who sought for political preferment used the old feud to feed the flames of election purposes until the reasonable portion of the nation has become nauseated. The breach is closed forever and the green growth of common welfare has covered the once dividing survey with an almost marvelous foliage, until the people at one time seeming to promise two nations, now rest in its cooling retreats.

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FATHER and mother last Friday and Saturday.

MR and Mrs Crowthers, of Portland, visited Mr and Mrs Chester Dolph from Saturday till Tuesday. Mr Crowthers has been looking up the city water bonds.

MISS Lou Merchant, of Carleton, came to the Grove Friday, and Monday began filling the position as teacher in the public school to which she has been elected. Miss Cora Campbell and Miss Nella McLeod, of Dilley, were in the Grove Monday.

REV Cowan, of Oregon City, occupied the pulpit of the Congregational church in the absence of the pastor. J D Bates, of Scoggins valley, was in the city Tuesday.

ABOUT forty of those who had been in attendance at the Congregational association meeting in Oregon City came to the Grove on the Friday morning train to attend the dedication exercises.

E P McClure, of Clatskanie, was in town Friday. Rev D A Watters has been returned for the fourth time as pastor of the M E church here. Grove people are glad to welcome him back.

REV Rogers preached in Oregon City Sunday; exchanging with Dr Cowan.

FROM PHILLIPS. Rock Creek school No. 2 commenced two weeks ago with Miss Estella Forrest as teacher. She taught our spring term of school and gave general satisfaction.

EDWARD Pezdolt, the Phillips mail carrier, is back from the hop fields and has taken charge of carrying the mail again.

THE Bethany Cornet Band has agreed to meet every Wednesday evening for practicing. They "make the hills and valleys ring" with sweet music. Mr Furey having resigned, Chas Hanson was elected business manager.

G L Perrine preached to a large audience in Brook's school house in Multnomah county last Sunday. Mr Ransom preached also after Sunday school. Mr Perrine will again preach at that place on October 20th at 11 a. m. Every one invited to attend.

THERE will be spelling school in Rock Creek school house every Thursday at 8 p. m. Everybody welcome to attend.

THE boys of the Bethany Band had a candy pulling at the residence of Fred Teedy last Saturday evening. Everybody seemed to enjoy the fun.

MOST of the farmers are busy digging potatoes and hauling them to Portland.

CORNELIUS. The hop pickers have about all returned and town is again lively.

THOS Talbot and wife are attending the state fair. There is a new barn being erected on the A S Briggs property. Henderson and Bollinger are the carpenters.

Jack Key, of Greenview, was in Cornelius Wednesday on business. Geo Sanders will commence to build a house on his lot. Henry's addition to Cornelius, Thursday of this week.

THE barber, Chas Dodds, sold out last Saturday to O R Spencer, of Hillsboro. L Stewart is building sidewalk along his lot in Cornelius.

C W Phillips moved into his new house this week. From all appearances there is likely to be a wedding soon not a thousand miles from Cornelius.

J T Dorrien is teaching school at the Eisy school house. Miss Stella Miller is teaching school in the Heywood district.

DAN Barrett left here for the East Monday, where he was called by his father's sickness. There are now two butcher shops in Cornelius—one kept by J R Miller and the other by Charley Anderson—both doing a good business.

THERE will be a social hop in Hendricks' hall Friday night of this week. A good time is expected. Peter Jaquet is still at his old stand and is doing a good business. Give him a call.

BEAVERTON. John Neiswander has gone to the coast near the Siletz reservation to stay for 3 or 6 weeks.

A J Fagno and wife attended the dedication of Marsh Hall at Forest Grove on Friday of last week. W H Morton is getting on quite nicely with his green house, and now has on hand many choice plants. He has begun digging his well and has his engine house well under way. The green house will be heated by steam with pipes of the most modern improvement.

J A Wilson returned from Klickitat county, Washington, where he secured a contract for the building of a small church. He will return to commence work in about ten days. Public school opened on Monday under the supervision of Prof Traver. The attendance is good and quite a lively interest is manifested by the pupils.

John Graves, formerly a resident of this vicinity but now living in the city of Portland, was in town Wednesday on business. J DeLett is failing gradually and is liable to pass from the stage of action into the great unknown beyond at any time.

Mrs M A Danks in company with her mother, Mrs Alexander, and Isaac Squires, of Greenview, started Wednesday morning for Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, by way of the Northern Pacific.

Mr Lull, of Cedar Mill, has sold his farm to Wm Owens for \$65 per acre. This is less than half of the price asked for the same land two or three years ago, but shows about what the actual value of land is as Mr Lull was not obliged to sell.

Jacob Sammons will soon erect a water tank over his blacksmith shop which can be filled from the engine which furnishes the motor power for his chopper. He will carry the water to his barn and to the lawn in front of his house for irrigating purposes. Jacob is full of enterprise.

An A P A speaker at Tigarville last week said some things that so angered some members of the Catholic church that the speaker was called a liar while on the rostrum. The Catholic parties have been arrested for disturbing a public meeting. The trial was put off on Monday until about the 21st inst. It will be hotly contested.

TO RENT.—A nice little cottage within one block of the business part of town at \$2 per month. Enquire at this office or of W. E. Thorne.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS. —Perry Gardner has sold his dry business to L. A. Whitecomb.

T. S. Weathered is handling one of the finest little Kindergarten Chautauque charts yet seen in this section. It is very instructive and can readily be converted into a child's writing desk. It is meeting with much favor.

Buy your apple boxes of R. H. Greer's. Cheap. —Multnomah county's assessment is ten million dollars greater than last year's.

—The Misses Ollie Hanley and Emma Carstens visited the Fair at Salem this week.

—Rev. D. M. Shannon, a brother to Mrs. Judge Crandall and recently from Minnesota, was in the city Tuesday, a guest at his sisters home. Rev. Shannon will have charge of the M. E. parish at Lafayette.

—A Rev. J. M. Donald has been appointed as pastor of Hillsboro M. E. Parish and will take charge at once.

—Wm. Goodin, of Glencoe, who recently suffered from a fractured arm, is now sufficiently recovered to carry the injured member free from a sling.

—M. M. Bloch, who was a gay young mailing clerk on the O. & C. some years ago, is again in trouble in Portland.

—The handsome new residence of R. H. Greer will soon be ready for occupancy.

—The close friends of G. H. Wilcox are regarding themselves on some of the finest grapes in this section of Oregon. Those who know are willing to give them equal admiration to any of California's product.

—Hon. S. R. Huston attended a suit before Justice Jackson of Dilley in the case of State vs. W. M. McLeod, who was charged with assault and battery on the person of Mrs. Palmer, one his tenants. They had some trouble over one of Mr. McLeod's cows, which was in Mrs. Palmer's possession. After a visit to Polk county, Mr. McLeod came after the animal and the woman violently objected. The defendant was discharged, as no assault was proven to exist in the case of Mr. McLeod. Mrs. Palmer having been the aggressor.

Parties wanting the "Acme Filter" can get them from this on for 25 cents each. F. M. HEDDEL, General Agent.

W. E. Huffman, of Mountain Dale, has moved his family to Hillsboro and will reside here the coming winter.

The public school now has over 340 pupils enrolled. The aggregate will be well up to 400 when the entire school age population attends. Pupils are getting down to hard study after their vacation.

Dead Letter List. The following is the list of letters remaining in the Hillsboro post office unclaimed:

Hawk, Lewis Heltzel, Allie Horner, Prof. J. B.—2 Meng, P. V. All letters not called for by Oct. 12, 1895, will be sent to the dead letter office. One cent will be charged on each letter called for.

MARY A. BROWN, P. M.

Administratrix's Notice. NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has been by the county court of Washington county, Oregon, appointed administratrix de bonis non of the estate of Isaac Alexander, deceased, and has duly qualified as such. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same to me at the law office of S. B. Huston, in Hillsboro, Oregon, within six months from this date.

Dated at Hillsboro, Oregon, this 16th day of September, 1895. JENNIE A. BENHAM, Administratrix de bonis non.

Administrator's Notice. NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of W. A. Porter, deceased, by the County Court of Washington county, Oregon, and has duly qualified as such administrator. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same to me at the law office of S. B. Huston, in Hillsboro, with proper vouchers within six months from this date.

Dated at Hillsboro, Oregon, this 9th day of Sept., 1895. John M. Wall, Administrator of the estate of W. A. Porter, deceased.

Notice to Bridge Builders. There will be let to the lowest bidder on October 12, 1895, at 11:00 o'clock a. m., at the office of the County Judge of Washington county, Oregon, a contract for the construction of a bridge across Dairy creek, near the residence of James Wilcox. Specifications may be seen at the office of the county clerk on and after October 8, 1895. Bids to be sealed and the court reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Dated this 5th day of October, 1895. R. P. CORNELIUS, County Judge.

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The Enquirer will continue to expose this unpardonable crime until right and justice are done the people by the full restoration of silver to its old companionship with gold. We need the assistance of the people in disseminating the truth, to which end we invite all in your selection of papers for the coming season to include the Enquirer, that costs only \$1.00 a year. (Issued twice a week.)

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NOTICE. To the tax-payers of Washington county, Oregon:

NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Equalization for Washington county, Oregon, will convene in the County Clerk's office at the court house in Hillsboro, on the 25th day of September, 1895, and continue in session one week, or until the 28th day of said month, for the purpose of publicly equalizing and correcting the tax lists of Washington county, Oregon, for the year 1895.

GEO. H. WILCOX, Assessor of Washington county, Oregon.

Notice for Final Settlement. NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has filed his final account as administrator of the estate of George L. Stevens, deceased, in the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Washington County, and that said Court has appointed Monday, Oct. 14, 1895, at the hour of 10 a. m., as the time for hearing objections to said final account and for the settlement thereof.

NICHOLAS STEVENS, Administrator of the estate of George L. Stevens, deceased. Dated at Hillsboro, Washington County, Oregon, this 7th day of Sept., 1895.

Land Office Notice. LAND OFFICE AT OREGON CITY, OR., AUG. 9, 1895.

Notice is hereby given that the approved plans of survey of fractional townships 2 North, Range 2 West, and fractional township 3 North, Range 2 West, have been received from the surveyor General of Oregon, and on September 16, 1895, at 9 o'clock a. m., of said day said plans will be filed in this office and the lands therein embraced will be subject to entry on and after said date.

ROBERT A. MILLER, Register. PETER PAQUET, Receiver.

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