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No less than at least once each day the Argus has heard visitors coming from abroad extol the crop prospects of Washington County. This is always the case, but it is the more marked this year because there is more travel. Even Hon. James Withycombe, who naturally would be very careful in the statements, occupying, as he does, a position with a state institution, tells the Argus that our fields of grain and hay, as well as fruit orchards, look better than any he has seen in his travels.

Inside information is to the effect that the Pacific Railway & Navigation Company will strain every nerve to have the rails laid between this point and Tillamook by December 1. This may be accomplished, and if so, it will be the fulfillments of wonders, for there is a vast amount of work to be done.

DR. GUY VIA ARRESTED

Dr. Guy Via, practicing medicine at Baxton, and a son of the late Dr. Via, well known physician and surgeon of Forest Grove, was placed under arrest Tuesday evening and brought before Judge Barnes, the complaining witness being a Miss Luella Angelo, residing one mile north of Cornelius, on the Lung place. The prosecuting witness charges seduction under promise of marriage and sets as the date of her first acquaintance with the physician at about September 12, and alleges that he represented himself as the son of a prominent Forest Grove family, and gained her confidence under promise of marriage.

Dr. Via will have a hearing before Justice Barnes Friday afternoon. Judge Barnes fixed his bonds at \$2500 and C. W. McNamer and C. F. Miller, both of Forest Grove, are his bondsmen.

Via is married and there is one child to the union.

It is said that Dr. Via denies the allegations and says that the charge is absolutely without foundation. He has retained Bagley & Hare for the defense.

SOME NEW RATES

The railroad commission has established the following rates, the new to prevail, from Hillsboro to other points named:

Merchandise Rates in cents per 100 lbs.

	Old	New
Corvallis	60	50
Arlie	70	60
Salem	80	65
Albany	90	75
Cottage Grove	140	115
Oakland	175	140
Roseburg	175	150
Grants Pass	250	205
Medford	275	225
Aslond	300	250

George Biersdorf, and wife, of North Plains, were in town yesterday.

Mrs. Thos. Simms, of below Farmington, was a caller in the city Friday.

G. S. Robinson, who has moved from beyond Laurel to Farmington, was in the city Tuesday evening.

J. T. Rooks, of Vinelands, was over to the city Tuesday afternoon. He reports haying in full blast up his way.

John Reilly, of West Union, and who makes a specialty of raising Baldwin apples, was in town Tuesday.

Fred Olsen, who carries the mail on Route 4, says that the timothy and winter wheat look better along his route than for 15 years.

Timothy hay and winter wheat harvest is now on and by the first of next week many fields will start cutting the cereal. So far as reported winter wheat will save it from present indications.

Herman Prah, who farms northeast of town a couple of miles, was in today. He says that the oldtimers say that his section has the best crop prospects for fifteen years.

Mrs. David Houston, Mrs. Fred Zilly, Miss Lucile Imrie, and Mrs. L. A. Long and children, leave for Newport the first of this week for a two weeks' vacation near Stevenson, Wash.

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PROBATE

Administrator estate Hannah Rolfe deceased authorized to deed 50 acres sec 15 1/2 a 4 w 1/2 to W. B. Thomas, said title being vested in deceased as trustee only.

Aug. 5 set for final settlement estate James Boddick deceased.

Anon Bloeszyk and brother Frank appointed executors will of Chas. Bloeszyk, deceased; John Schoenischer, A. V. Bergen and G. H. Stettler, appliers.

Aug. 8 set for final settlement estate J. C. Aldrich deceased.

Estate Nancy Watts, Farst Grove, newly appraised at \$10,701.61.

Estate John W. Stillwell closed of record.

Annual report Fred Durig, guardian Hethert minors, approved; guardian allowed \$100 for his services.

While up at Summit, the first of the week, R. Lee Sears, Homer Emmett and R. L. Greer quietly ran down to Newport-by-the-sea, and while disporting in that famous summer resort, were caught by the camera of an itinerant photographer, all together. Some Hillsboro friend of the trio, thinking to have a little fun, sent over half dozen of the photographs, and now the boys are explaining to the heads of the families about that nice time they had fishing in the mountains. Of course, each one of them swears that he made arrangements to have the photos sent over and they have been exhibiting receipts for payment, signed by the artist.

Persons living in the country and wishing to take the Daily and Sunday Oregonian for one year can, by paying a year in advance, get the Argus and an Oregonian map, or chart, for the one price. This offer will not last long—so get in your order soon.

Willie Watson, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Watson, of Leisyville, was brought in today to have an ugly wound closed by Dr. F. A. Bailey. The little chap and his sister were pulling at a huge spoon, which is used to stir milk in the cooling process. The sister released her hold on the spoon, and the lad pulled it against his flesh, cutting clear through the flesh to his teeth. He suffered an accident last year that laid him up for a while.

Milwaukee, Deering and McCormick mowers, rakes and binders, at the Hartmann Feed Store, on P. R. & N., Main Street station. The machinery that has stood the test of years. 15t

Jos. J. Rector and wife, of Brownsville, were in the city yesterday, guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lamkin. Mr. Rector now owns an interest in the Brownsville electric light plant, and is doing well financially. While here he was superintendent of the local water and light plant, and he married Miss Hembree, who at one time was an employee of the Pacific States Telephone Co., of this city.

Mrs. W. B. Foster and daughter, Miss Doris, of Tacoma, Wash., are in the city, guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Bath. Mrs. Foster is a niece of Mr. Bath, and her husband is Superintendent of the Milwaukee & Puget Sound Railway, with headquarters at Tacoma.

Eugene Schiller, a civil engineer, below Beaverton, on the Portland mountain, was up to the city yesterday. Mr. Schiller has been absent on railway work and when he came in to pay taxes found that some of his land had been sold for taxes. He was before the board to get matters straightened.

Herman Bishup, of above Mountaintop, was in town today getting some machinery for his new mill on the Cantwell place, which is now ready for a good run the rest of the season. He says that all kinds of grain between here and Mountaintop look fine.

The Eastern Star Lodge conferred power Tuesday evening and ice cream and cake were served at the close of the exercises. About fifty were in attendance and several auto loads were down from Forest Grove to witness the floor work.

W. H. Black, formerly one of the editors of the "Other Side," a publication issued in Hillsboro back in the days of ardent populism, has settled on a 70 acre tract a short distance from Glenwood. He was in the city Tuesday.

B. F. Nelson, while working in the Goff shop, on Third street yesterday, caught his thumb in the planer, giving it a bad laceration. Dr. F. A. Bailey dressed the wounded digit and will save it from present indications.

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W. A. Griffith, of Laurel, and who was a sufferer for several weeks with blood poisoning in the hand, was in the city today. He has been able to work the past few days.

PROBATE

McCUMSEY

McCumsey Sawmill Dimension Lumber and Timbers

Rough and Dressed Lum-

ber of all Kinds.

Mile 1 1/4 miles from B. P.

Cornelius' Place,

Will Deliver.

A. E. McCUMSEY
Cornelius, Ore., Route 1



TELEPHONING TO THE COUNTRY

The City and the Country are bound together by the telephone line.

The farmer and his family use the rural telephone constantly, calling up each other and the market town on all sorts of matters and for all sorts of supplies and information.

City people also find the rural telephone of great advantage. A traveler from his room in the hotel talks with the farm folks miles away. Without the telephone he could not reach them.

The farmer himself may travel far and still talk home over the Long Distance Lines of the Bell System.

THE PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH CO.
Every Bell Telephone is the Center of the System.

PORTLAND MARKET

Valley wheat, per bu.	84c
Oats, No. 1 white.....	\$260-\$27
Timothy hay.....	\$260-\$21
Onions, new, per sack.....	\$2 1/2
Potatoes, per sack.....	75c-\$1
Country butter, per lb.....	75c-\$1
Outside Creamery, per lb.....	28c-\$1
Eggs, per dozen.....	27
Hens, per lb.....	20

John Ritter, of Helvetia, was in town this morning.

Fritz Rufener, of Helvetia, was down to the city today.

Thos. Tucker was out last week, visiting relatives.

J. H. Collier and wife, of Scholls, were up to the city yesterday.

When you want ice cream, get the best—Hazlewood-Koeber's Confectionery.

Marion Jacobs, by the way, is doing a fine piece of masonry on the Hotel Tamiesie.

Miss Marie Hay, of Astoria, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Frank Imrie, at West Union.

Gerhardt Goetze, of above Blooming, was over town yesterday. Mr. Goetze is still increasing his Holstein herd.

R. H. Walker, a pioneer of the Cedar Mill-Beaverton section, was transacting business in the city today.

Henry Becker, who has been hauling piling above Gaston for several weeks, was in the city yesterday morning.

All persons knowing themselves indebted to the undersigned will please call and settle.

Herman Ostermann, Centerville Store.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC

Leaves for Portland—

Forest Grove Local..... 6:51 a. m.

Sheridan Flyer..... 9:12 a. m.

Forest Grove Local..... 10:42 a. m.

Forest Grove Local..... 3:32 p. m.

Corvallis Overland..... 5:10 p. m.

Leaves Portland for Hillsboro

Corvallis Overland..... 7:20 a. m.

Forest Grove Local..... 8:50 a. m.

Forest Grove Local..... 1:00 p. m.

Sheridan Flyer..... 4:00 p. m.

Forest Grove Local..... 5:40 p. m.

Leaves Portland for Portland

Forest Grove Local..... 7:05 a. m.

Forest Grove Local..... 8:00 a. m.

Forest Grove Local..... 9:25 a. m.

Forest Grove Local..... 10:45 a. m.

Forest Grove Local..... 11:05 a. m.

Forest Grove Local..... 3:55 p. m.

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