

THE GLORIOUS FOURTH. CELEBRATION AT CORVALLIS

Day of Joy, Patriotism and Music. The Corner Stone, Races, Etc.

The glorious fourth is a thing of the past. The small boy is still pointing his numerous burns and other injuries of a similar nature, and the heavy boom of the avails and the sharp report of the fire-cracker coupled with the blare of the brass band still seems to be heard.

At sunrise the booming of avails disturbed the dreams of our people who were thus reminded of the arrival of independence day, and soon the visitors from outside the city began to arrive and by the middle of the forenoon the streets were crowded with people, anxious to catch a glimpse of the procession which formed at the city hall and moved promptly at 10 o'clock, led by the Marine band of this city.

In the first car were seated Misses I. Galaty, Julia Warriner, Dora Blumburg and Mary Fischer, representing the goddess of liberty, peace, plenty and the district of Columbia, respectively.

In the second division, following the Philomath band, came fire department with apparatus profusely decorated with flags and bunting and with Miss Mary Smith as the divinity of the engine company, Miss Ora Spangler for the hook and ladder company and Miss Bessie Barker for the hose company.

The boat containing a number of boys representing the U. S. navy was also quite an attractive feature of the parade the people proceeded to the court house square where the remaining exercises of the morning were carried out. On entering the court house yard one of the first things to catch one's eye was a most interesting and novel sight. It was the exhibit of the Corvallis ice works.

On a stand near the northwest corner of the court house was a large tank of ice water which was free for all to imbibe from. On each side of the tank was a piece of clear ice about 30 inches in height in the center of which a beautiful bouquet of flowers was frozen. It was most unique and was the occasion of much admiring comment.

An abundance of good music was supplied by the bands which, with the reading of the declaration of independence by E. L. Bryan were listened to with close attention by the audience.

The oration by Hon. W. W. Thayer, was a brilliant effort, but great dissatisfaction was expressed because the greater portion of the audience was unable to hear it. Through lack of space we are unable to give any of the oration, which contained a large amount of deeply interesting food for thought for all, there being a great deal of historical information as well as containing a most excellent treatise of the government as it is today.

The barbecue at 12 o'clock was one of the interesting features of the day and was quite generally patronized. Nearly everybody had heard of barbecues, but not many knew anything about the manner in which they were conducted and as soon as it became known that the meat was ready to be served crowds began flocking to the tables and all were soon dining on the meat which was served in liberal allowances with bread and pickles. The work of cooking the meat was done by Messrs. Wm. Hartless, J. C. Young and Willbanks, and the excellence of the repast was ample evidence that they thoroughly understood the business. The cooking occupied 15 hours.

At 1:30 p. m. the mayor and city council, preceded by the Marine and Philomath bands, marched to the new city hall where the cornerstone of that building was laid with interesting and impressive ceremonies. B. R. Job, chairman of the committee, deposited the little metallic box in the cavity of the stone, and the covering stone was lowered into place. The address by Mayor Burnett was a most interesting one and contained a large amount of historical and other data, of interest to all the people of Corvallis.

The races and other contests in the afternoon were very exciting and enjoyable. The first was a half mile bicycle race, five contestants, the first prize was won by Chas. Hodson, second by Brady Burnett, although neither of the victors appeared to exert himself very much.

In the tug of war a team composed of employees of the carriage factory pulled against a volunteer team made up on the spot. The latter proved to be more than a match for the factory boys who were forced to yield the victory to their opponents.

Chas. Young won the foot race closely pressed by Clyde Beach, second.

Three teams entered for the horse race and all of them did well in their runs and the winners gained the prize through their quickness in getting water.

The ladies and gentlemen riding contestants looked well on their spirited horses. The first ladies' prize was awarded to Mrs. Williamson and the second to Miss Lida McDaniels, while Dick Kiger took first gentlemen's prize and M. B. Brown second. This ended the afternoon exercises.

A 7 p. m. band concert was given in the court house square at which the musicians were given a decided treat by the two bands in attendance. Two of the numbers by the Marine band are deserving of special mention.

They were "The Star Spangled Banner" and a baritone solo, "The Heart" by Chambers. They were delivered with a precision and beauty which was a surprise to the entire audience. The celebration closed with a ball at the opera house.

While there was not quite as large a crowd in attendance at this celebration as at some others which have taken place here, there was never a better pleased collection of people than those who were here Monday. Cases of drunkenness were delightfully rare and the city marshal reports that only four arrests were made. Corvallis certainly never had a better celebration in her entire history.

Special mention is deserved by D. A. Osburn's horse for the scientific manner in which he kicked a hole through the Marine band's snare drum and it was a narrow escape from serious injury for the drummer.

Chas. Hout donated the steer which was barbecued. Its weight was 750 pounds, and it was an exceptionally fine animal. The two sheep were also procured from Mr. Hout.

MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Corvallis Carriage and Wagon Co. was held last Tuesday in the parlors of the First National bank and the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, J. B. Lee; secretary, Z. H. Davis; treasurer, First National bank; superintendent, John Sticker; directors, M. S. Woodcock, W. A. Wells, P. Avery, Z. H. Davis, Wm. Creech, M. A. Beach, F. M. Johnson, John Sticker, J. B. Lee; executive committee, Z. H. Davis, John Sticker, P. Avery.

The business of the company has been good ever since it began operations and is constantly on the increase. About 45 persons are now employed and it is expected that the force of employees will have to be increased considerably before winter, as the present working force of the factory is even now being taxed to fill the orders which are coming in, and the future prospects are bright and encouraging.

SERIOUS RUNAWAY.—On Monday evening, Mrs. John Todd, accompanied by her two sons, Willie and Chester, and her daughter Edith and Miss Bertha Meroer, was returning to her home from the celebration at this city her team became frightened while on Skipton hill, about three miles from Philomath, and ran away. The entire party was thrown from the back and everyone of them rendered insensible. None of them are able to give a clear description of the accident, as they were all more or less shaken up and bruised. Edith was apparently hurt worse than any of the others and it was at first thought that her spine was injured, but at last reports she had improved sufficiently to walk about the house and it is believed now that she will recover without any serious consequences. The team ran about three-fourths of a mile, making a complete wreck of the wagon, nothing being left of it except the pole and one wheel.

DISBANDED FOR THE SUMMER.—The Marine band of this city at their meeting Wednesday evening decided to suspend business until fall. This move was occasioned by the fact that the boys thought they could not afford to be at the expense to which they have been subjected for rent and other expenses in return for the very small patronage which they would receive during the summer. Then, two, they need more members before they can give as good music as they would wish. If our citizens will co-operate in a proper manner this can be done and the enviable reputation which this band has earned will be fully sustained and even improved upon.

Subjects of special interest will be discussed at the Congregational church by the pastor on Sunday. Subject of evening sermon "Shadrach—A Character Study." Short sermon and good singing. A cordial invitation to everybody.

COMMISSIONED HIGH SCHOOLS.

President Bloss, of the state agricultural college, in his report to the board of regents last month, took occasion to make some remarks relative to the connection between the high schools of the state and the agricultural college and state university. He says:

"The state agricultural college and the state university are, when properly considered, only the continuation of the public school work of the state. The work of the university is to promote general education in the highest fields of learning; while this institution has its work partly in the same field, it has its special work in those fields which come into immediate contact with the great industries of the state. But in either case the state presumes that its public school system includes the university, the state agricultural college, and its normal schools as parts of its system of education. This being true, it follows that this institution should at once, put itself into proper relations with the public school system of the state.

The high schools and academies, and many of the best town or grammar schools can do or profess to do work which would entitle the pupils upon their graduation to admission into the first year work of this institution. There are now a large number of schools which can do this work. I would suggest that those public schools in this state that can properly fit pupils for the first year work, be commissioned by the board of regents, and designated by the board as commissioned schools. That the names of these schools be published in the catalogue of this institution. I would further suggest that the president of this institution together with the state supt. of public instruction be authorized to examine the work of such schools as desire to be commissioned, and report the results to this board.

That a regular commission to prepare students be issued over the signature of the secretary or executive officers of this board, to superintendents or principals and boards of directors, of several schools which are found worthy.

That these commissions be renewed each year provided it be shown to the board that the standard of work is maintained.

That those pupils who complete the course in regularly commissioned schools be granted a certificate signed by the president of this institution entitling them to enter the first year of the state agricultural college without examination.

That these certificates, so far as practicable, be granted at the same time, and be made a part of the commencement exercises of the several schools.

It is to be understood that while the commission will enable the pupils to enter the school without examination that he will be entitled to enter higher classes upon examination.

Those students who are admitted without examination and who, after due trial, are found to be unprepared will be transferred to lower grades or classes.

The above, in my opinion, is one of the most important steps which this board can undertake for the permanent growth of this institution. In addition to this, it strengthens the desire for educational advancement in every town and country school in the state.

It will be regarded an honor to be entitled to enter this institution whether the pupil enters or does not enter it. As it will give to the names of those who ought to come to this institution so that they may be reached in person by circulars of information. In the end, I see in this that as the public schools of Oregon advance, an opportunity is given to advance the standard of this institution."

The president further states that this system has been adopted in Ohio, Indiana and Kansas, and the results have proven entirely successful in every way.

In accordance with this recommendation, the board of regents decided to adopt the suggestions, which we think cannot be too highly commended, as it bears on its face the stamp of intelligent reasoning, and its results cannot be otherwise than satisfactory.

OREGON FRUITS.—The state horticultural society is actively at work making arrangements for the display of Oregon products to be made at the World's fair at Chicago next year. Last January a committee was appointed to take charge of the matter, and it has announced that it has just received a shipment of nearly a carload of glass jars in which to put up fruit for the exhibit. These are made especially for exhibit purposes. They are of all sizes, from one quart to seven gallons, and when filled with Oregon fruit will certainly make a very elegant exhibit. The committee is now ready to receive fruits of all kinds which will fill these jars. It is not only desired that the very best of all kinds that are grown in the state shall thus be secured, but that all parts of the state shall be represented. The name of the grower, with address, together with the name of the fruit, will be placed upon each jar.

PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR CORVALLIS.

Twenty-seven citizens of Corvallis describing themselves as "active firemen of this city" have sent in a petition to the city council against setting aside a room in the new city hall, "for the use of the W. C. T. U., library and free reading room."

From talking to several of the signers I find that they do not understand the facts—as I felt sure was the case. These gentlemen are not the men to be unable to appreciate the advantages to the city, as a whole, of having a public library—nor are they selfish enough to wish to deprive their fellow citizens, young and old, of the privilege of reading good books just because they, the signers of the petition do not care to read such books themselves.

Now, this proposed library is to be a free gift to the city of Corvallis forever—and in the original written offer no sort of control, interference, or management, is proposed to be reserved to the ladies of the W. C. T. U., or anybody else except just this—that after the library is turned over to the city it is proposed that additions to the library in years to come shall be superintended, or approved (if that is a plainer word) by a committee of three—one member named by the city council, one by the W. C. T. U., and the third to be the professor of English literature in the agricultural college for the time being.

Is that a fair suggestion, in these days of impure, infidel, and worthless books, to keep up the standard of the city library to the high standard it will start on? If it is not reasonable let any objector propose a better one.

Now, the city council themselves found this objection in the offer made them—that to keep the library open at reasonable times might cause some expense to the city, which the city charter did not authorize.

The council had three courses open to them—either to refuse the offer outright—or else, to fix the opening of the library at such times that no additional expense to the city would be involved—or, to tell the persons, who made the offer that they would give them a lease of the library room, so that whatever expense that was incurred in keeping the room open would fall on the persons offering the library and not on the city.

The city council chose this last alternative, by resolutions.

Now, the W. C. T. U., ladies propose to act on this, rather than see the city deprived of the library.

But, it was not their intention or proposition; and they have not proposed, or suggested, to deviate in any one point from their first proposition—which is, to put the city of Corvallis into the free, uncontrolled, and absolute ownership of the books to be bought from the proceeds of the sale of the present library in a reasonable way and in good faith—and that by some means or other further additions to the library shall be of good, clean, standard books.

These statements are made as the result of a careful inquiry into the facts. If they are true, and if no interference with the management of the library in the future, is to be feared—or hoped for, as the case may be,—then surely the grounds of the "active firemen's" opposition disappear—and the council should do all in their power to aid the purpose of supplying the city of Corvallis, not with a "W. C. T. U., free library and reading room," as the firemen's petition calls it, but with a "City of Corvallis Free Library," to be handed down by one city council to another as one of the city's most valuable and useful possessions.

A LOVER OF GOOD BOOKS.

FOOD AND DAIRY COMMISSION.

TWO ESSENTIALS FOR A BAKING POWDER THAT WILL MAKE PERFECT BREAD.

The late report of the Minnesota State Food and Dairy commission contains the result of a series of experiments made by Prof. C. W. Drew, chemist, to determine the strength and keeping qualities of the various baking powders.

The report attaches great importance to these experiments. Baking powders that vary in strength, or that readily lose strength before use, are unreliable and will not give even results; besides, it is an indication of the use of improper ingredients in their compounding. The tests showed the strength of leavening power of the Royal very much greater than that of the others.

The uniformity of strength of all the samples of Royal tested, no matter what their age, was remarkable. Its leavening power was practically unimpaired even in the oldest specimens. The difference in the amount of leavening gas in different samples of the other brands was so great as to seriously impair their usefulness in baking. As much as 24 per cent. loss was found in samples a few months old. All the samples of Royal examined by state chemist Drew were reported of satisfactory strength and quality.

Dr. Drew states that the "Royal" being of greater strength than any other, and possessing better keeping qualities, it is the natural conclusion that it is the best baking powder made.

A solid good brick, weighing 500 pounds and worth \$150,000, will be exhibited in the mines and mining building at the World's fair by a Helena, Mont., mine owner.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

This morning, about 9:30, Mrs. Alice Schmidt, living about two miles north of town attempted to take her own life by shooting herself in the abdomen with a .32-calibre revolver.

Mrs. Schmidt is about 19 years of age. Her maiden name was Oden and she was reared by George Smith who resides near this city. She was married nearly two years ago to Fred Schmidt, and they at once moved onto a small ranch belonging to Mrs. Schmidt, where they have since lived. Since her marriage, she has been subject to fits of despondency and has several times threatened to take her life and had even made two or three unsuccessful attempts to do so.

On this occasion she first tried to sever the arteries in her wrists with a butcher knife. Failing in this, she took a revolver and placing the muzzle at her stomach fired, the ball entering about 1 1/2 inches above the navel. There was no one present in the house at the time she did the rash deed. Her husband had left the house and was on his way to the woods to cut some timber when he heard the shot and his wife scream and rushing back, reached the house in time to catch her just as she came out through the door. Several of the neighbors arrived upon the scene at about the same time and medical aid was secured as soon as possible. When asked why she had done it she replied that she was tired of life and did not care to live any longer. Her condition as we go to press is very critical; she may recover but there are many chances against her. Then, too, she was soon to become a mother, which makes her condition all the more serious, as there is a strong probability that the bullet which came so near being fatal to her own life put an end to the life of her unborn child, as the course taken by the ball would be just about right for such an effect.

PREPARATIONS FOR VACATION.—The professors of the agricultural college are making preparations for spending their vacation in various ways. Some of them are making preparations to go to the mountains or the seashore, while some others will visit various portions of the state in the interests of the college. Prof. F. L. Washburn and H. T. French have left for an extended visit on the Siletz Indian reservation.

PLEASANT PARTY.—Miss Clara Fisher entertained a large number of her friends at her home in this city Thursday evening. After several other minor amusements, progressive whist was introduced and held the party until a late hour. A delicious lunch was served, after which music and dancing were indulged in until the "wee sma' hours" when the guests departed with hearty expressions of pleasure and gratification at the manner in which the fair hostess had entertained them.

LETTER LIST.—The following is the list of letters remaining in the postoffice at Corvallis, Oregon, July 8, 1892. When calling for same please say "advertised." Mrs. A. Gordon, M. D., A. Freeman, Mrs. Sam'l W. Perkins, Anna Myers, Rev. Willie O. Waggener. C. E. Moor, P. M.

Mr. W. M. Terry, who has been in the drug business at Elkton, Ky., for the past twelve years, says: "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy gives better satisfaction than any other cough medicine I have ever sold. There is good reason for this. No other will cure a cold so quickly; no other is so certain a preventative and cure for croup; no other affords so much relief in cases of whooping cough. For sale by T. Graham, druggist.

JUNE WEATHER SUMMARY.

The following is a summary of the weather for June as furnished by John Fulton, volunteer observer, of Oregon State Weather Service, at Oregon Agricultural College:

Elevation above sea level ..... 319 feet  
Mean temperature ..... 62.7  
Maximum temperature (June 27) ..... 96 deg.  
Minimum temperature (June 2) ..... 29 deg.  
Mean maximum temperature ..... 78.4 deg.  
Mean minimum temperature ..... 45 deg.  
Total precipitation (June) ..... 0.61 in.  
Prevailing direction of wind ..... N and W.  
Total movement of wind ..... 6492 miles  
No. of cloudless days ..... 15  
No. of partly cloudy days ..... 8  
No. of cloudy days ..... 7  
Dates of solar halos ..... June 3.

MARRIED.

COTTELL-CAMPBELL.—At Corvallis, on July 6, 1892, by Rev. W. S. Knauer, Dr. W. I. Cotell and Miss Lula May Campbell, both of Portland, Oregon.

HARRIS-JOHNSON.—Wednesday, July 6th, at the residence of Mrs. Mary Avery, by Rev. E. J. Thompson D. D., J. H. Harris and Edsel M. Johnson.

Both parties are well known and very highly respected in our community. Mr. Harris is one of our young enterprising, prosperous business men, and Miss Johnson, a granddaughter of Mrs. Avery, is a young lady of charming qualities of character and fine accomplishments. The wedding was a very pleasant family reunion and the banquet an elegant feast of good things. After hearty congratulations from the guests present, Mr. and Mrs. Harris started for a short trip in Washington. They will soon return and make their permanent home in Corvallis, where a most cordial welcome awaits them.

BRIEF LOCALS.

Ice cream at Pioneer bakery.  
Vanilla drops at Pioneer bakery.  
Lady fingers, macaroons at Pioneer bakery.  
The First National Bank, of Corvallis, Oregon.  
For fresh bread, cakes and pies go to the Pioneer bakery.  
Ladies' and children's hair cutting a specialty at Taylor's.  
New assortment of spring and summer jackets, at Kline's this week.  
Highest cash prices paid for wool at Kline's. Sacks and twine furnished.  
The finest cup of coffee in town at the Pioneer bakery, coffee and ice cream saloon.

CORVALLIS NURSERY CO.—The Corvallis Nursery Co., will have for sale this fall 90,000 prune trees.  
Our place is the finest and our accommodations the best—Pioneer bakery, coffee and ice cream saloon.  
For the best saw filing go to J. Wm. Will. Also razors and scissors sharpened. Work warranted. Try us and be convinced.

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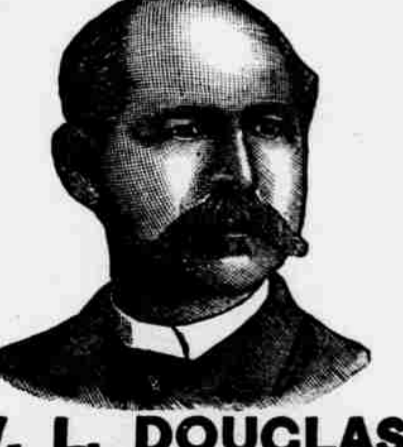


WHAT SHALL THE HARVEST BE?

This is neither a picnic party nor a political parade. Mother Hubbard expects visitors and, accompanied by a few of her numerous progeny, she sets forth to market. "What shall the harvest be?" Well, that depends largely on Mother Hubbard's destination. If she goes to S. L. Kline's Grocery the gay cavalcade will return laden down with the choicest delicacies of the season and the expected guests will fare sumptuously. The best of everything in the following lines at the lowest prices may always be found at

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