

OREGON UNION.

FRIDAY, FEB. 10, 1899.

LOCAL NEWS.

S. Chipman is ill as a result of exposure.

Traffic on the Corvallis street car line was resumed Wednesday noon.

See F. G. Clark's line of 1899 matting, just received, from 15c to 50c per yard.

Corvallis' war flag was raised last Monday upon receipt of the news from Manila.

Joseph Hecker, one of the substantial citizens of Wells, visited Corvallis Wednesday.

Chief Wells is still under the influence of la grippe, and O. V. Hurt has been acting chief for the past week.

Topics at the Presbyterian church next Sabbath, "The Gospel According to Mark." In the evening, "Tomorrow."

County court has been in session for the past couple of days. A full account of the proceedings will appear next week.

Harry Simons is recovering from a severe attack of la grippe. The Macca-bes have given him the best attention.

The mother of Prof. P. H. Irish, formerly professor of chemistry at the O. A. C., died recently of apoplexy at her home in the east.

The cold rains which succeeded the snow was a boon to Oregonians. No other sort of weather would have been so conducive to relief of our frosted weeds.

Miss Clair Gatch went to Salem Wednesday to be with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Claude Gatch, who recently underwent a surgical operation for appendicitis.

Dr. Pernot was called Tuesday to the north of Fall Creek, in Lower Alsea, to attend Mrs. Dieckhoff, presumably, as she has been ill for a considerable time.

At F. G. Clark's furniture store you will find the most complete line of wall paper with border and ceilings to match ever on sale in Corvallis, the spring styles for 1899.

Mr. Felix Fremerey has announced his intention of moving to Corvallis. He is an expert in vegetable fiber and comes here to superintend the culture of hemp fiber in this county.

Executor B. L. Eddy has filed an application in the estate of Sarah C. Applewhite, and enumerates the estate as follows: Real, \$1,540; personal, \$8,750.44; total, \$10,290.44.

Superintendent Denman and his assistants, Professors Pratt and Bump, were kept busy yesterday initiating a number of applicants into the mysteries of how to secure a teacher's diploma.

The Portland train was behind time three-quarters of an hour last Tuesday just when interest in the Philippine disturbance was at fever heat, for which the only febrile was the news in the belated daily papers.

Several grades of the public school were given a vacation Monday forenoon, on account of a lack of rapid heating capacity. In extremely cold weather it is necessary to keep up steam constantly and this fact was overlooked by the janitor, who did not fire up until Monday morning.

One and one-half inches of rain fell in the 24 hours preceding 7:30 Wednesday morning. This, together with the snow it dissipated, is expected to make a big river if the conditions above were similar to those in Benton county. The high water is due today.

Miss Freed, a member of the Sdrosis Club of the O. A. C., had the misfortune Wednesday morning to fall down the stairs of the club hall and so badly cripple herself that she is unable to attend her classes. No bones were broken, but it is understood that her knees were pretty badly bruised.

Services at the United Evangelical church next Sunday both morning and evening. Morning service will be helpful to those seeking "The Higher Christian Life." Evening subject will be a continuation of the two previous discourses on "Psychology tending to show the immortality of the soul."

Last Friday afternoon the various O. A. C. literary societies each held a contest to determine who should represent the individual organizations at a general local contest. The latter will be held today to select a representative of the O. A. C. to attend the intercollegiate oratorical contest at McMinnville.

W. E. Rich and family, of Albany, are on a visit to friends in this county, prior to taking their leave for Eastern Oregon where the former expects to go into business. Mr. Rich studied medicine in this city for about two years, but for some time past has conducted a barber shop in Albany. He is a son of Dr. Rich.

Revival meetings will begin at the Methodist Episcopal church next Sabbath. The Rev. Dr. Wire will preach Saturday evening, also Lord's day morning and evening. Dr. Wire will follow Dr. Wire and the meetings will be finished by Evangelist Bell, of Santa Barbara, Calif. This is our plan at present.

Henry Carver, who recently disposed of his dray business after years in that service in this city, left Wednesday for his old home at Fairmont, Minn. He is yet undecided whether he will remain there or return to Corvallis. Oregon, he says, is good enough for him, and his many friends here hope that after his visit to the east he will still be of that opinion, and return.

M. L. Glass, who sold his ranch on Big Elk last summer, purchased another near Summit. A few days ago he sold the summit place to Henry Porter and moved to Corvallis. His household effects arrived Monday and he will occupy one of the Kiger houses just north of the public school building. Mr. Glass is the gentleman who did the brick work on the Masonic temple.

Mr. Cockrell came home from Detroit Tuesday evening where he has been engaged in cutting wood for which there is a heavy demand from the valley towns having railroad connection with the timbered regions of the Santiam. The weather of the past week or ten days caused almost a total suspension of operations in the woods, and Mr. Cockrell took advantage of the interval to visit his family.

Mr. O. W. Rose came up from Portland last Friday to visit his parents and accompany his wife home. Mrs. Rose has been with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Martyn, during the past six weeks. He occupies the position of chief engineer at the Portland Linseed Oil Works, a branch of the National Linseed Oil Co., of Chicago. E. Larrimore, a former Corvallis resident, is manager of the Portland works.

Prof. Crawford, purchasing agent at the college, is entitled to the palm as a weather prophet. This week when the mercury stood shivering at zero, and B. S. Pague, the weather man, waved his storm signal and predicted all kinds of hard freezes until the 17th, Mr. Crawford cast one eye over the prophecy and the other over the snow clad horizon and announced rain before night; and rain it did. Down with Pague and up with Crawford.

Louis V. Dietz, of the Fourteenth infantry, who was killed at Manila Saturday in the battle with the insurgents, was the only soldier lost who was known in this vicinity. His home was at Buena Vista, Polk county. He was enrolled by Captain Rutenic as a recruit for Captain Worrick's company of the Second Oregon volunteers last summer, but, becoming impatient to go to the front, he went to Portland, where he enlisted in the regular army.

Workmen have been engaged the past few days in placing additional wires in the city for the telephone company. Among the new patrons of the company are the O. R. & N. dock, the C. & E. S. P., Fischer's mill, C. Berman, and it is expected that there will be a dozen or more new patrons at once. The private lines of the mill and the C. & E. have been turned over to the Oregon Telephone Co. and connected with the general system so that they enjoy a more extended service.

The game of indoor baseball at the Armory last Friday night between O. A. C. and the Albany college was highly interesting although for a time it was rather one-sided, in favor of the former, which finally won by a score of 12 to 6. Personally the Albany team had been regarded as the intercollegiate champions and the O. A. C.'s went into the game with rather chilly extremities, but it soon became apparent that the advantage of Howell's phenomenal pitching could not be met by the visitors who failed to tally during the first six innings.

Editor Matthews, of the Yachina Bay News, paid Corvallis a business visit Saturday. Speaking about the efforts of the people of some sections of Lincoln county to have those sections taken back into Benton, he said that no one cared, so far as he knew, whether they came back or not. Mr. Matthews is hopeful for the future of his county and says that while they are \$30,000 in debt and have nothing to show for it, the affairs of the county are being much better managed and it will be on its feet again in seven or eight years.

A photograph of Gene M. Simpson, received in the last mail from Manila, shows this veteran clothed in the regulation U. S. uniform of the tropics; white blouse, with epaulets, white trousers and black knee boots, white helmet a la Henry M. Stanley. Gene is a musician in the 1st regiment band California volunteers, and the picture shows him cornet in hand, with a determined expression in his eyes as if about to play something. Hanging at his side is his case with field glasses. Every inch of him looks like a soldier.

Charley Munnery went fishing on Soap Creek this week, but all he caught was an elegant cold which seriously affects his vocal organs. What voice he has remaining is as spasmodic as the sound of a Chinese fiddle, and he offends those of the company in which he finds himself by conversing in a low whisper and then startles them with an expression in a high C key. It may be explained that he was angling out of season in the exercise of his prerogative as deputy fish and game warden. His theory is to remove temptation to infraction of the law.

"Cycling Through Europe with a Kodak" will be the subject of a novel and highly entertaining lecture to be delivered at the opera house next Monday evening, Feb. 13th, at 8 o'clock, by Dr. E. P. Hill, of Portland. The lecture will be illustrated by 75 views of poets, priests, kings and queens. These views, together with Mr. Hill's varied experiences in securing them, form one of the most delightful entertainments imaginable. The performance is under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society, and the prices of admission have been fixed at 25 cents for the general public and 15 cents for students.

The following item is going the rounds of the press. All parties lately married should look well to their license: A Benton county justice of the peace was called away from home the other day, and anticipating a rush of business in the judicial line, appointed his son, a young man of 22 years, as deputy justice with full power to act in all capacities. A young couple who desired to be made one came along and the deputy justice performed the ceremony in due form. The Benton county legal fraternity are having considerable sport over the incident, in as much as a justice of the peace has very limited authority to appoint deputies. All trace has been lost of the young couple, but we suppose they are happy.

A letter from Brady Burnett to his parents states that many of the Christmas boxes sent from Oregon had reached Manila at the time of writing. As some of the boys had not received any he was in hope that they would be supplied later. It would seem from what the boys write that these remembrances of parents and friends conveyed the greatest pleasure to the soldier lads, and if this was the purpose of the donors their pains were fully rewarded. The only regrettable feature is that all could not have been remembered, but the disappointment, it is said, was relieved as far as possible by a liberal division on the part of the fortunate ones. The apples sent from Corvallis were not received in good shape, but quite a number of boxes from another source was sufficient to reproduce their taste for the fruit.

R. R. Walker, son-in-law of Rowland Fisher, of this county, it will be remembered, moved to a small farm near Mt. Tabor some months ago, and news reaches here of a rather serious misfortune having befallen him one night during the recent cold snap. Saturday morning Mr. Walker was found lying stunned by the roadside not far from his home with both feet badly frozen, and otherwise in a serious condition. It seems that Friday night, about 8 o'clock, as Mr. Walker was passing out of the gate he attempted to close it, while holding the reins carelessly over his arm. His horses jumped, pulled him to the ground, and dragged him 100 feet before he could free himself. So stupefied was he by his injuries that he could not call for help and lay on the ground all night, without being noticed by the passers-by. The physician who was called to see him found a large tumor in the right side above the hip, which was caused by the rupture of an artery. An opening was made in the side, and about six ounces of congested blood removed, thus preventing an abscess, which would have been much more serious. It is thought there are no other grave conditions, except the frozen feet. If this is the case, he will probably recover.

Suit for an Accounting.

The ghosts of creditors of the Oregon Pacific railroad company still occasionally hob up and confront the Farmers' Loan & Trust Co., which has been in tribulation ever since the organization of the O. P. company. According to a New York dispatch suit has been filed in the United States circuit court against the Farmers' Loan & Trust Co., by Anthony J. Antelo, of Philadelphia, in his own behalf and of all other bondholders of the Oregon Pacific Railway Company, to compel the trust company to account to him for the value of certain bonds and unpaid coupons of the railroad company. He alleges that he originally purchased 54 \$1000 bonds of the railway company, and says that he now holds a large number of these bonds with coupons attached. These bonds, he alleges, were a part of \$15,000,000 in bonds issued by the Oregon Pacific Railway Company, and the Willamette Valley & Coast Railroad Company, secured by a mortgage jointly made to the Farmers' Loan & Trust Co. as trustees. These bonds were to be sold or paid out under the conditions of the trust to the amount of \$3,250,000 for the purpose of discharging a lien on 550,000 acres of land in the state of Oregon, which land, on the payment of this lien, was to become the property of the Oregon Pacific Railroad Company and the Willamette Valley & Coast Railroad Company. The proceeds were also to be used to build 120 miles of the Oregon Pacific road at the cost of not more than \$25,000 per mile. Mr. Antelo seeks to charge the Farmers' Loan & Trust Company with the value of his bond, because of its alleged failure to carry out the trust imposed upon it.

Doings at Salem.

Both branches of the legislature have been working night and day, but are now easing off a little, owing to the necessity for allowing the committees to work.

The house cut the general appropriation bill to pieces—an easy thing to do in view of the fact that it was understood that the appropriations cut out of the general bill would be considered in separate bills.

Among the bills reported on adversely, which reports were considered almost equivalent to defeat, are Whalley's bill creating a grain commission and the office of grain inspector; Williamson's bill to appropriate \$6400 for the relief of Crook county on account of the alleged overpay of taxes; Carter's bill to appropriate \$1000 to school district 73, Jackson county, to reimburse it for funds embezzled by the county treasurer, and Moody's bill to appropriate \$4000 for the relief of Rosannah Lancaster.

Representative Nichols has introduced a bill to amend the school laws so as to make a liability instead of graduation from schools a passport to certificates.

The Daly text book bill, which passed the senate last week by almost an unanimous vote, is now in the hands of the house committee on education. When the bill passed the senate it was confidently believed that it would pass uninterupted through the house, but the American Book Company has established headquarters near the capitol and its agents are lobbying to delay and defeat it. It is believed that when the original Daly bill and Kyrkendall's substitute for it, both of which are now in the hands of the senate committee, come before the senate, the Daly bill will pass and the substitute be rejected.

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WORDS OF PRAISE.

A Broad View Taken of Corvallis' Invitation to the Legislators.

Nothing but words of praise come from representatives of the press who visited Corvallis last week with the members of the legislature, concerning the work being done at the state's institution here, and their treatment by the people of Corvallis. The Salem Statesman has a two-column written, and says among other complimentary things:

The reception of the visitors by the citizens of Corvallis was most cordial, their entertainment complete in every particular, and the visit mutually pleasant.

In Corvallis is located the largest educational institution of the state, and the same is supported, in part, by appropriations from the state. The citizens of that city are justly proud of the Oregon agricultural college and experiment station, and recognize in it one of, if not the most, thoroughly equipped and best managed educational institution on the coast. The excursion of yesterday was arranged by the enterprising citizens of the Benton county capital, that the members of the present legislature, of whom an appropriation will be asked for the support of the college, might become thoroughly informed, by a personal inspection, as to the scope of the educational work carried on at the college.

The excursionists reached Salem, on the return trip, about 5 p. m., highly pleased with the day's enjoyment, and unstinted in their praise of the royal reception and the unreserved hospitality of the Benton county capital, and entertaining only the best wishes for the future welfare of the deserving institution.

The Salem Journal, too, devoted much space to the details of the reception, and what was said by the various speakers. It says in part:

Those who allowed themselves to be deterred from going by the unfavorable weather missed an experience which was amply sufficient to outweigh the inconvenience of traveling and sightseeing in a howling snowstorm.

At the approach to the chapel, the guests were received by a double file of the university cadets in uniform, who presented a striking appearance and displayed a soldierly indifference to climatic discomforts.

In the chapel the lawmakers were provided with seats on the platform, and the rest of the room was filled with students and visitors, standing room being at a premium.

President Gatch of the agricultural college presided, and the program consisted of short addresses, interspersed with music and singing.

The entertainment was opened with the singing of the Battle Hymn of the Republic. And it should be said, right here, that the music and singing both here and at the banquet hall were exceptionally fine. It is casting no reflection on Salem to say that she can't hold a candle to the musical ability displayed at Corvallis.

The tables were loaded with a variety and abundance, mostly the products of the college farm gardens, creamery and kitchens. College butter, college cheese, college bread, chickens, ham etc. were spread in tempting array, together with the products of climates where they don't have Dakota blizzards on excursion days.

Everything from the bouillon to the oranges was delicious. There was a salad which was simply "out of sight" and the coffee an honor to its maker. The chickens and ham, the bread and cake, the butter and cheese, the pickles and olives—well everything was the best and most palatable of its kind. And this isn't the regulation gush, either; it is a cold statement of facts.

The tables were ornamented with growing plants and all the appointments were irreproachable.

The guests were served by the ladies of Corvallis in a manner that left nothing to be desired and the banquettes were further entertained by music and singing by the college glee club.

The Portland Telegram has a full account of the exercises and says of the entertainment:

Arriving at Corvallis, the members of the legislature, officers of the two houses, representatives of the press and the ladies accompanying them, took up the line of march to the assembly hall, the college band leading the procession, the male students of the college being drawn up in line along either side of the walk. The walk to the assembly hall was through an almost blinding snow storm, but this only added zest to the circumstance.

At the conclusion of these exercises the guests were invited to the spacious dining hall, where the good women of the city had prepared a spread fit for kings. The tables were artistically decorated with potted plants, maiden-hair ferns and fragrant violets, and the bill of fare contained everything from salads and cold turkey to delicious desserts. An orchestra and the college glee club, stationed in one corner of the dining room, discoursed sweet music during the discussion of the appetizing spread.

The Albany Herald and other papers near at home speak in glowing terms of the "royal treatment and excellent entertainment" accorded the visitors.

Masses Against Classes.

Last Saturday a large mail arrived from Manila, to gladden the hearts of all who have relatives or friends in the Philippines. The editor of the Union was not forgotten, the following message from Harry L. Holgate, dated January 1st, being addressed to him. It touches subjects of general interest and we give it to the public:

From many of the letters published in Oregon papers, and written by Oregon volunteers, one might imagine that the

regiment was officered by escapes from the penitentiary. Really, tho', our officers are not such terrible villains. It is the masses against the classes.

I do not believe in "volunteer officers," and consider that the men who imagine a few months study of tactics will make competent officers of civilians, is more optimistic than sensible. War is a more serious business and more difficult than the practice of any of the professions, yet we go to war on the theory that a commission from the governor of a state is all that is required to convert farmers and business men into educated warriors.

Now the 2nd Oregon is a volunteer regiment and the officers are volunteer officers. But that they are miscreants and thieving rascals will hardly be believed by the people at home without more proof and more definite charges than has yet been forthcoming.

Some of the officers lack tact and do not appreciate their own limitations. In their endeavor to be "military" they stickle at petty things and become nuisances. They are amateur soldiers—nothing more and the more they endeavor to ape professionals the more their rawness is exposed.

Then there naturally arise incidents wherein the officers are necessarily obliged to punish what may seem to the victim and his friends no fault at all, and perhaps no fault was intended.

But of all the complaining, and there is plenty in vogue, although much of it is careless and not intended seriously, I have failed to find one man who could offer the slightest evidence in support of any grave charges against any officer.

New Year's day was properly ushered in at the Oregon quarters. When 12 struck the whole regiment arose and yelled. The band assembled and marched through the grounds playing patriotic and other airs and everybody audibly rejoiced. But it was easier to start the celebration than to stop it, and when the officer of the day, after giving the boys a reasonable time to agitate the atmosphere, started to send the boys to bed he had his hands full. 'Twas then he exhibited a little diplomacy. He had the band play "Yankee Doodle" and of course the cheering was prodigious.

Then he had it to play "Home Sweet Home." The noise died away as if by magic. When the last strains of the familiar and pathetic ballad had melted away in the languid tropical air of the new born year, taps, that saddest and sweetest of all bugle calls, sounded and the boys went quietly to bed. The magical power of the Pied Piper is not lost to the world.

Today on the Luneta the soldiers and sailors of Uncle Sam have made fun and music. I mail today a program. I did not stay out this afternoon very long, the weather is too warm—but will take in the fun tonight.

"Fall in for mess!" shouts the first sergeant, and fall in goes. Regards to the boys.

Yours,
HARRY L. HOLGATE.

Tammany Insulted.

There is gnashing of teeth about our local Tammany hall. Jesse Spencer, chief of the Tammanyites, has with great care, expense, and the exercise of rare knowledge of high art, acquired a fine collection of photographic gems. These are subject to examination and the consideration of waiting patrons and afford much pleasure. Jesse takes much pride in his album and his wrath became boundless the other day when he discovered that some person had given him and his associates an irretrievable affront by placing in his collection the photograph of a noted dame of questionable repute. The chief adjusted his spectacles to become satisfied that he had not been deceived and then raised the flood-gates of invective. He exhausted the profane vocabulary of nine languages and sat down to weep bitter tears because of his incapacity in that line of endeavor. Presently a calmer mood possessed him and he summoned the sachems of Tammany for consultation. After mature deliberation it was decided to lie low, await the development of a tangible clue to the perpetrator of the villainous act in question, then employ Jim Skipton to bring his matchless detective skill to bear on the case. It is not likely that the guilty man will escape.

Anticipated the Fight.

Mr. C. McIlwain, of this city, has received a letter dated Dec. 31st, from his cousin, who reached Manila with the last installment of Oregon troops. Concerning the attitude of the natives toward the U. S. soldiers, he says: "We cannot go to Cavite by land, as the insurgent lines would have to be crossed and they will not permit a U. S. soldier to cross their lines. They control the interior, so you see we can scarcely get out of town. As soon as the treaty is definitely settled the insurgents will be looked after. While affairs exist as now, they will not be disturbed unless they are the aggressors. Twice in the past month our troops were called to the trenches, when the insurgents had made some demonstrations. The appearance of U. S. soldiers had the desired effect, and all was settled without firing a rifle. They are hot heads and there is no telling what insane idea they may get into their heads." Continuing, he says: "I notice a number of letters in some of the Oregon papers written by the boys of the 2nd Oregon regiment. Some of them reflect on the officers of our regiment. I can truthfully say our officers are gentlemen, and I believe they have the interest of their men at heart. I have my first time to have an officer address me in an ungentlemanly manner; and if they are approached in a proper way, they are ready and willing to favor a fellow." He says "Bismark" has been sick a long time, but is about well. Geo. Reed was under the weather a few days but is O. K. again.

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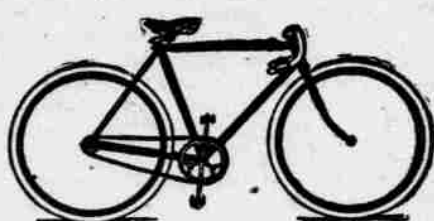
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