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FRIDAY, DEC. 8, 1899.

LOCAL NEWS.

Wheat remains at 44 cents.

The election that waxed so warmly in Albany resulted in a republican victory.

Judge Mc Fadden has been in Salem this week attending court in the capital city.

Martha and Mrs. H. F. Fischer returned to their home in this city, from Chicago on Monday.

Mrs. Geo Webber, of Corvallis, is the guest of Mrs. Slayton, in the Titus building.—Eugene Register.

Among the improvements being made in town is the erection of a new sidewalk on the street by the John Scrafford residence.

On the 15th of this month, President Newland, of the Pacific University will deliver a lecture at the college chapel, on the subject, "Travels in Italy."

They had a city election at Philomath, Monday, Dr. R. O. Logan was elected mayor, W. H. Boles recorder, E. A. Taylor marshall, and C. W. Davis treasurer.

Potatoes are now selling at 40 cents per bushel in the Corvallis market, and owing to the large yield that the potato men raised, the market is quite well supplied and chances for a rise in price is no more likely than a decline.

Mrs. S. N. Wilkins, of Corvallis, is here for the purpose of organizing a lodge of Rebekahs, and all persons who have signed the application are requested to meet at the hall next Monday evening at 7 o'clock for the purpose of organization. —Prineville Review.

The bond of Willard Price as administrator in the estate of the late Michael McGrath, the miser who died in Kings Valley two weeks ago, has been filed in the probate court. The estate includes $500 in cash besides some real estate. The appraisers appointed are W. A. Wells and Richard Graham.

J. H. and E. H. Taylor returned home from Portland on Monday, where they had been to attend the funeral of their sister Mrs. Lesh. The funeral occurred in the Metropolis on Sunday. Several Corvallis people, old friends of the deceased were present to witness the last sad rites performed.

During the month of November there was an average precipitation of 8½ inches of rain over the Willamette valley. This is about one-fifth our annual rainfall, which either means that we are to have some wet weather this winter or that a great part of our winter's rain has already fallen. It is an uncommon thing to have our streams and rivers swollen to such an extent and at so early a date as they have been this season.

John W. White, representing the Polk county Grange was in Corvallis Tuesday in the interest of the Grangers. His business here was to confer with the local Grange and make arrangements for a meeting in the near future for the purpose of considering the proposition of annexing the insurance benefit to the local Grange. This organization offers to furnish life insurance to its members at a low rate assesment, and this feature of the Grange is becoming as prominent and popular as the many others.

During the wintry season, it is well to know the language of umbrellas. "To place your umbrella in a rack indicates that it is about to change owners. An umbrella carried over the woman, the man getting nothing but the drippings of the rain, signifies courtship. When the man has the umbrella and the woman the drippings it signifies marriage. To carry it at an angle under your arm signifies that an eye is to be lost by the man who follows. To put a cotton umbrella by the side of a nice silk one signifies 'exchange is no robbery.' To lend an umbrella signifies 'I am a fool.' To carry an open umbrella just high enough to tear out mens eyes and knock off mens hats signifies "I am a woman."

Winter weather keeps many of the country people from the entertainments afforded those in the city yet it does not prevent the country people from meeting together in a grand jubilee and spending an evening of merriment. Out on the McBee farm, just southwest of Corvallis on last Friday night, at the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Stovall, some forty people congregated and enjoyed one of those genuine socials the country people know so well how to prepare and appreciate. The rooms were gaily decorated for the occasion with beauties from the woods and fields, There was music, games and dancing, and not until one o'clock did the merry-makers depart for their several homes in the vicinity.

An exchange wisely says that the Willamette valley farmers do not have to depend on wheat and hops for a living No other section of the West can produce such a diversity of crops as can be grown on Willamette soil and as the years go by there will be a constant increase in the variety of products coming up to market from the valley. Neither wheat nor hops will be grown in less quantities than at the present time but the ever increasing acreage of tillable soil will blossom with other gifts from the bounteous hand of nature that will bring back to the producer from a profitable market the golden twenties as his recompense. Our generous soil calls for greater diversity of production and the future thrift of Willamette farmers will be in answer to the call.

How was your Thanksgiving Turkey?

He is a boy, he came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Francisco on Saturday.

Webfoot mists have purified the atmosphere and good health reigns supreme once again.

On Thanksgiving evening, Miss Mable Davis entertained a number of her friends at her home.

The O.A.C. boys are perfect gentlemen and play good, clean, scientific football.—Eugene Register.

A slide near Oysterville on the C. & E. caused the east bound train to be some five hours late Saturday.

Miss Constance Holland was among the OAC students who spent Thanksgiving vacation in Salem.

Genuine cut glass, very approprite for holidays presents, at reasonable prices, at Greffoz' the leading jeweler.

Robert Cooley, an OAC graduate of '98, employed as a drug clerk in Cottage Grove, visited Corvallis, Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Dorothea Nash returned to Corvallis Monday after spending Thanksgiving with her friends and kindred in Eugene.

There are places in the road between this city and Philomath, where a sign reading "No Bottom" would be appreciated and most convenient to the traveler.

On Monday of this week the family of Chas Chipman departed for Ukiah, California, where they go to spend the winter. Mr. Chipman will remain in Corvallis.

Fred Edwards, an O A C graduate o last year, but now a student of Eugene, and quarter-back on the U of O foot-ball team, spent Saturday and Sunday in Corvallis.

Among the coming social features of the week is an "Old Folks at Home" social by the Amicitia and Sorosis societies at the college armory tomorrow night.

The several churches are making preparations for Christmas entertainments, and indications are very favorable for amusement in plenty during the holidays.

The younger of the Franklin brothers, who was formerly engaged in business in the Franklin Iron Works, of Corvallis, but who has been in Idaho for several months, has been visiting relatives and friends in this city during the week.

Asa Tunnicliffe, one of the Western Union telegraph company's operators, passed through Salem on Monday for for Idaho, where he will take a key as a substitute. He acted in that capacity in the Salem office for a few weeks last summer.

Mrs Stalhbusch, a lady sixty years of age, died in this city on Friday last. On Saturday occurred the funeral, Dr. Thompson officiating. The ceremony was attended by a large number of relatives and friends. The remains were laid to rest in Crystal Lake Cemetery.

A transfer of real estate was made in Corvallis, Tuesday. The property is the Stilson farm, northwest of this city, the purchaser is S. A. Gragg, of Elsie, Oregon. The firm of Thos Eglin & Son made the sale, and the purchase was made for $3,500. The property will not be taken possession of until next June.

The college cadet batallion gave a military hop at the college armory last Friday night. The music was furnished by the college orchestra. Owing to many students being home on their Thanksgiving vacation the attendance was not so large as usual. The hop, however, was an enjoyable one for those present, the music was good and the merry dancers found it midnight ere they knew it.

With the constant tread of horses and the pressure of passing wagon wheels, and drainage afforded by the ditch recently dug along its course, the newly improved road above Corvallis is growing better each day. The gravel is being set firm, there is but little mire to bog the wagon wheels, and by another year those who aided in the improvement and who find constant use for it, will bless the day they donated their mite.

The splendid court house which Mr. A. F. Peterson, of this city, has been building for Sherman county, was completed last week. The Moro Leader sheaking of the structure, says: "The total cost of the building does not exceed $8000, and it is the consensus of opinion that it is the handsomest piece of architecture in the state for the money. Mr. Peterson, the contractor, has the confidence and respect of his employers as a man of ability and integrity.

A movement is on foot among the college students to unite all the different branches of athletics under one head and thus form an association. Committees of two were appointed from each representative of the football, track, basketball and indoor baseball enthusiasts, to meet and formulate a constitution and plan for organization. This is the manner in which large institutions carry on athletics and will surely be an improvement over the system followed heretofore. The committee have not yet reported.

The strong "southeaster" that blew from the sea during the nights of last Friday and Saturday and came sweeping through the mountain canyons down through the valley and all Western Oregon, was an uncommon thing for Webfoot. According to calculations made at the college the wind blew as high as 46 miles an hour, a velocity that does not compare probably with the hurricane of the east, yet it was quite a breeze for the Corvallisite. It blew strong enough to satisfy even those of "windiest" nature, and none would be disappointed to have such breezes remain in their native domains.

The OAC eleven is one of the best that ever represented the college, and her overwhelming defeat is not the result of her own weakness, but of U of O's strength. Hall, Goodrich and Harding behind the line did splendid work with the ball and the forwards Elgin Thurston and Walters are men that rank with the best players in the state. The team as a whole worked well on the offensive and poorly on the defensive, the most noticeable weak points being the end positions. Although struggling against certain defeat, the college men played the entire game without a murmur, and they played clean, gentlemanly football all through.—Eugene Guard.

Greffoz has Seth Thomas watches for $2.40.

The newspapers report three cases of vareloid in Eugene.

Thearle's Original Nashville Students are booked to appear at the Opera House in this city, December 26th.

Pastor Stevens, of the Christian church has returned from Belfountain where he has been conducting a revival meeting.

Many of the college students returned to their homes to spend the Thanksgiving vacation given them from Thursday until Monday.

"Reminiscences of a Recruit" is an interesting article in the December Barometer by Frank E. Edwards, a member of the 2nd. Oregon.

Much building has been done in Kings Valley this season. Mr. W. H. Dilly has just completed a large barn on the J. D. Wood's place.

The debt that has been hanging over the Christian church of this city, ever since the erection of the edifice, was entirely paid by the members by subscription this week.

A hose cart and section of hose from the city fire department was taken out by the street workmen on Wednesday and the sewer and ditch crossing First street on Jefferson were thoroughly drenched.

The Morning Eugene Register, is a new daily to reach our table, being edited by the Gilstrap brothers of Lane county's capital. It presents a very newsy appearance and we wish for it every success.

Prof. Coote and assistants are now busily engaged in cleaning up the college grounds and smoothing over the lawns that were cut up so badly by the digging of sewers and ditches.

Dennis Stovall has been appointed Deputy Supreme Commander and State lecturer of the Knights of Maccabees and will assume his duties as a stump speaker and organizer the first of next week.

"Dilly the Fixer" has had an unusually large run of doctoring broken-ribbed umbrellas during the past few days. This windy weather is not the most favorable thing in the world to keep the anatomy of an umbrella in the proper condition.

The college football players donated their hair to the barbers of the city Friday and Saturday. The boys put their football suits away, the pigskin lies secure in its quarters in the garret, to be left unmolested until the next season comes round.

The R. O. W. O. W. club gave an enjoyable evening at "hearts" at the home of Miss Mabel Davis on Thanksgiving evening. Miss Ewing and Mr. Cathy received the first prize, while the "booby" prize was carried off by Miss Rusk and Mr. Cathy.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Johnson, on last Tuesday evening, the members of the local "My Friend from India" company were entertained. A delicious lunch was served in the dining room, and the evening was a most enjoyable one for the several guests present.

Our local sportsmen are just now indulging in a little jacksnipe shooting. These birds are just beginning to show themselves, and in some localities there are large numbers of them. It takes a pretty good marksman to hit a snipe, but some of our hunters are dead medicine on them.

The laying of the tile in that portion of the Madison street sewer which was dug to the proper level, was completed on Tuesday. Much pumping was required and considerable annoyance in the way of caving in, was dealt with. Sewer work, during such weather as the past two weeks is a hard business.

"Campaigning in The Philippines." is a new and well gotten up book of 450 pages dealing with the work of the several regiments in the Philippines. A large portion of the book is devoted to the 2nd. Oregon and among the illustrations can be recognized many of the Corvallis boys as they appeared on the battle-field and other places around Manila.

Services at the Presbyterian church next Sabbath as follows: Sabbath school at 10 a.m, topic, "Lesson in Giving," Public worship at 11 a.m. preaching by the pastor, subject, "Resurrection of the Body." Y.P.S.C.E. at 6:30 p.m. topic, "The Indwelling Presence" leader Mr. James Van Gross. Public worship at 7:30 p.m., topic "The Closing Lecture on Ideals." The choir will render in the morning the anthem "Praise Ye the Father" Gounod. "Lead Me to Thee" Bierly. A kind welcome to all these services.

Sunday was a good day for duck hunting and as a result many of our local sportsmen were out wading through the surrounding swamps in search of the web-footed birds. The heavy rains caused an overflow that is not desirable on the part of hunters, and as a result many of the spots where the sportsmen usually rove were completely inundated. Floods coming from overhead never impede the duck hunter, but to have such underfoot, always serves to make his success less sure. Snipe abound in the swamps now, too, and the few who are expert enough with the gun to bring down these wary birds, find rich pleasure in hunting them.

The Corvallis Grange has approved the following resolution which was adopted by the National Grange at its last meeting: "We are not opposed to associations of interests which merely lessen the cost of production, but we are decidedly opposed to the misuse of the power which large combinations of capital give for the purpose of destroying competition, controlling production, and arbitrarily dictating prices of commodities. We are opposed to all corporations or trusts which control the source of supply, and like the Standard Oil company reach out their arms and embrace all competition. Special favors are granted them by railroads, thus enabling them to under-sell and force to the wall smaller dealers who might otherwise compete with them. It must be made impossible for so-called trusts to accumulate millions, by selling watered stock, without adding to the wealth of the country."

TO AVERT OUR DANGER.

Assistant United States Engineer Ogden Inspecting the Revetment.

D. B. Ogden, assistant United States engineer, left for Corvallis to inspect the work being done by the government snagboat Mathloma, says the Telegram.

The work consists of 800 feet of revetment which is being built to keep Corvallis from being left an inland town. Just above Corvallis, the river makes a sharp bend to the west toward Corvallis, and as soon as the city is passed turns sharply toward the east, leaving a peninsula opposite the city. In time of high water it is the tendency of the bulk of the stream to flow across the peninsula instead of around it, and if the government engineers had not interposed, it would have been a question of but a short time only until the river would cut through here and left Corvallis out in the cold. In addition, it would have spoiled the river channel by spreading out over greater space.

This was one of the earliest works undertaken by the government, and is one of the most necessary. There is a fall of 200 feet in the Willamette between Eugene and Corvallis, which is four times as great as the fall in the whole distance between Corvallis and Portland. It is necessary in order to keep the channel from spreading out, not to allow the river to become any shorter, as the fall for a given distance would thus be increased.

The watchman on duty at the Yamhill locks at Lafayette sent in a report yesterday of the stage of the water in Yamhill. The greatest height that has been reached since the goverament work was begun there was attained last Friday, when 34½ feet above low water was recorded. This placed the water 13 feet above the tops of the lock walls.

The Yamhill is a very erratic stream, and rises and falls with great rapidity. After a heavy general rain the stream begins to rise almost immediately, and in a short time overflows its banks, if rain has been sufficient, The rise is rapid until within a few feet of the crest, when it slackens and proceeds leisurely to the top. The descent is just as rapid. The highest point which the river is known to have attained was about 60 feet, once in the winter of 1890-91, and once previously in the '60s.

The recent rise was of great benefit to owners of wheat in McMinnville, as it allowed the Gypsy and Modoc to make several trips there, and the boats brought out full cargoes each time.

Davenport's Pheasants.

Game Warden L. P. W. Quimby is in receipt of a letter from Homer Davenport, giving details in regard to his collection of pheasants, which he says is the largest in the world. and attracts many admirers and breeders of pheasants to his home. Mr. Davenport is making a study of pheasants, and is breeding as many as possible, and hopes to be able to let some of his surplus stock fly in Oregon. He is confident from what he has learned by experience that many of the finest species would do well in Oregon with protection by law for a few years. He gives the names of a long list of the pheasants in his aviaries, which makes one wonder how he ever secured so many varieties. He has over a dozen species which, he says were never seen in America until his specimens arrived.

He says there is no reason why Oregon should not have at least 10 different varieties breeding in the wild state, and is going to do all in his power to bring this about. Mr. Davenport has not forgotten Oregon, nor the clay pit out of which he was dug, and if he carries out his plans his name will be inscribed on the roll of fame alongside that of Judge Denny.

A Scrap of History.

Now and then transpires an occurrence that brings to the mind of the old Corvallisite a recollection of those days in the past, when the fleeting boom that always attends the birth of a city or country, dawned on the Willamette valley and this part of Oregon; when there was a rush of settlers and a tide of prosperity that worked wonders both good and bad in its final results.

A few days ago the dispatches were received announcing the death of John I. Blair in the East. To those who have entered the community during the past eight or ten years, this was but a mere bit of news, but to the old inhabitant it was far more than this. John Blair was the rich man of the East, whose wealth transformed the old Oregon Pacific railroad from a dream to a reality. Col. Hogg. who owned the theories, charts, maps, etc., necessary to build the railroad, but not the money to accomplish such a purpose, visited New York city and laid his plans, propositions and figures before the Wall street millionaire. Blair believed he had ran upon a happy opportunity to increase his fortune and so invested many millions in the enterprise. While John Blair received but a pittance in return for the money invested, to him is due the credit of the building of the Oregon Pacific railroad, and the latter has been a great benefit to the Wiliamette valley and Oregon in general.

Cougars Versus Deer.

"Cougars are doing more to decimate the deer population of this state than all the sportesmen combined," declared an old hunter this morning. "During the month of September I found the carcases of five deer which had been killed by these animals. The cougar, after catching its victim, gorges itself on the blood and than covers the body, just as a cat covers a mouse. Should the cougar fail to secure another meal about eating time it will return to the concealed carcass and feast on it.

"Besides cougars, bears are very destructive. Not wild animals alone are prey to these wanderers; the farmers are sufferers as well. Bears or cougars frequently swoop down on a hogpen and carry off or kill a pig, and calves and young stock are not safe,

"In my opinion a high bounty should be placed on these beasts and sportsmen permitted to hunt them down with dogs. The reason dogs are not used at present is that the law makes it a crime to molest a bear and run him down instead of a cougar, and hunting deer with dogs is strictly prohibited by the game law."

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

Mr. Ichabod Henkle, father of Jerry Henkle, of Philomath, suffered a stroke of paralysis yesterday which affected one side of his body. While his present condition is not serious, the outcome is regarded with much concern as Mr. Henkle is quite feeble, being 88 years of age.

Some time ago Dilly "the fixer" completed a bicycle of his own building and laid it away for summer use. Yesterday Thomas Bloomer, a drummer for bicycle supplies, saw and appreciated the machine. Dilly was offered $50 for it, which amount he accepted and Mr. Bloomer rode off on the best wheel in Benton county.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will hold their annual fair, and a chicken-pie dinner, December 16th. A program, including a farce and good music, will be rendered in the evening, after which light refreshments and our famous home-made candies can be had, and the sale of articles, both useful and fancy, will be continued.

Monday evening, Dec. 8, the ladies of Corvallis Hive, No. 3, L. O. T. M. elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Lady Commander, Minnie L. Hodes; Past Lady Commander, Isabelle Thrasher; Lady Lieutenant Commander, Alice E. Hufford; Record Keeper, Ruth N. Clark; Finance Keeper, Lilly L. Wilson; Chaplain, Laura Gellatley; Sargent, Lilly Ranney, Mistress at Arms, Gladys Hughes; Sentinel, Bessie Irvine; Picket, Mary L. Weber.

Valley Lodge No. 11, K. of P. of this city has elected the following officers for the year: James Gibson, chancellor; Emil Zeis, vice-chancellor; J. B. Horner, prelate; George W. Denman, master of work; J. F. Yates, K of R and S; B. W. Johnson, M of F; Thomas Whitehorn, M. of E; Will Horning, master at arms; George Bowers, inner guard. E. P. Greffoz, outer guard, Mr Geo. L. Paul was elected trustee. No lodge is in a more prosperous or flourshing condition, in this city.

The indoor baseball association was called to order Tuesday by chairman J. G. Elgin and a course of action for the season discussed. It was decided to wait a few weeks before electing a captain. Regular practice will begin as soon as arrangements for the use of the armory are made a few other minor matters settled. There is every reason to think that we will have a good nine this season. All of last years players are back but Howell and Edwards, while there are experienced men among the Freshmen. Indoor baseball is everywhere growing in popularity and is destined to become a great college game for the reason that it fills in the winter months between football and track athletics.

The Eugene Guard quotes the reminiscence of a famous trial from our issue of last week, and pays the following tribute to Judge Burnett's sincerity and eloquence: "In former years the Nestor of the Oregon bar, John Burnett, of Corvallis, was never missed from a term of circuit court in the old Lane county court house. His specialty was as counsel for defense in criminal trial. With well-worn clothes and flannel shirt he would stand before the jury pleading with no small degree of earnestness for his client, and in case of great necessity the tears could be made to course adown his rugged, furrowed cheeks. The prosecution often accused the judge of stimulating the tears but we believe they came from the heart of the zealous advocate."

Died in Portland.

After months of patient suffering, Mrs. Jessie L. Lesh died at her home in Portland, last Friday, of peritonitis. Sunday the funeral took place from the residence, 464 east Ash street.

Mrs. Jessie L. Lesh was born in Columbus, Miss., December 8, 1864. Four years later she came with her parents to Oregon, and lived in Corvallis until her marriage to W. H. Lesh, which occurred in Minneapolis, Minn., on October 6, 1886. Mr. and Mrs. Lesh moved to Portland in 1890, and that has since their home. Mrs. Lesh was a singer of ability, a graduate with high honors from the Corvallis agricultural college, and has many friends who will sincerely mourn her death.

Those who knew her have, by their thoughtfulness and loving concern, softened some of the dreariness of her four months of bedridden suffering, and have given abundant proof of the endearing worth of the deceased. Marvelously patient in her long illness, always a loyal friend, sympathetic and generous to any in distress, her memory will be cherished in the minds of many while life lasts. Mrs. Lesh leaves, besides her husband, two brothers and two sisters, Dr. E. H. Taylor, J. O. Taylor and Mrs. Leona McNulty, of Corvallis, and Mrs. Lou Legerwood, of Seattle.

Apples and Pears.

Contrary to general belief, apples are very plentiful. There is any amount of good eating stock on hand, and the price, $1.50 a box, while a little steep, does not interfere with sales.

Only fancy Baldwins bring $1.50, plenty of other grades are to be had, at varying prices, down to 75 cents for peddlers stock, which is not very desirable.

Of course there are vicinities where apples are scarce and in some districts even those few that are found contain worms or scab. But taking the state as a whole in the Willamette valley we have apples in plenty to do us. In Corvallis there are plenty at the price they demand.

Most of the apples reaching Portland come from Southern Oregon points, Douglas county sending in many carloads. Near-by valley points have no apples this year, the crop either being too wormy, or else a failure. Many valley farmers did not pick their apples this year.

Pears are plentiful. Various varieties are offered, and at varying prices. Winter Nellis is the kind most generally esteemed at this season, and good, sound Winter Nellis pears can be purchased for $1.75, though some dealers are asking a quarter or so more.

To Subscribers.

Subscribers to the UNION-GAZETTE will observe that the date opposite their respective names, in addressing the paper to them, indicates the time of expiration. They can each confer a favor by remitting to this office the amount to cover their respective subscriptions.

A PRETTY WEDDING.

Mr. Richard Kiger and Miss Louise Fischer Were Married Wednesday.

A beautiful home wedding in which two well known Corvallis young people were united as one, transpired at the Fischer home in this city, at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning.

The contracting parties were Mr. Richard Kiger and Miss Louise Fischer. The wedding was a unique one, the rooms being beautifully decorated for the occasion with evergreens and vines. The shades being drawn the rooms were lighted and the ceremony was performed by Rev. P. S. Knight, of the Congregational church, "by moonlight." None but the immediate families of the bride and groom were present to witness the ceremony. After the words which united the happy couple were pronounced by the minister, the entire party gathered around the dining table where a sumptuous dinner was prepared.

Mr. and Mrs. Kiger departed on the 1:20 train for Astoria, where they will spend their honeymoon, after which they will return and take up their residence on the Kiger farm north of Corvallis.

Mr. Kiger is a son of Reuben Kiger and a native of Benton county. His manly character, and open-hearted, generous nature have made him numerous and enduring friends. Young, prosperous and of diligent habits, his future is most promising. His bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Fischer. Her many accomplishments have made her an ornament to Corvallis society, and her happy disposition has added to its charms.

The Sunset Limited.

The Sunset Limited, the Southern Pacific's famous train of the Sunset route, will commence its service for the winter season on Friday, December 15th. The schedule for this year is considered rather superior to any previous season, affording as it will opportunity for favorable view of points of interest along the line, and making agreeable connections at New Orleans with limited trains of other lines to and from the important centers of the east. The train will leave San Francisco at 5 p m on Tuesdays and Fridays, passing Los Angeles about 7 o'clock the following morning, thus giving a daylight view of the orange belt of Southern California. Its connections at El Paso with through cars of the Texas & Pacific for St Louis, will place California passengers in that city from 10 to 12 hours ahead of all other lines. The trip from Houston to New Orleans, through the interesting plantations and bayous of Southern Louisiana, will also be by daylight, and the arrival in the Gulf city just in time to connect with the fast trains for Washington, New York, Cincinnati, Chicago and other points. The Sunset Limited equipment and service is up to its well-known high standard. It is worthy of remark that the distance of 3900 miles from San Francisco to New York is traversed by the Sunset Limited in 114 hours, only 12 hours longer than by the fastest trains through Chicago a distance of 3300 miles. The Sunset is an ideal winter route, the traveler not being subject to any of the discomforts incident to inclement weather conditions of the more Northern routes."

Mrs. Anna Waggoner.

On Wednesday, the 29th, the remains of Mrs. Anna Waggoner, of Monroe, were laid to rest in the Bellfountain cemetery, in the presence of a large number of sorrowing friends and relatives of the deceased.

The death of Mrs. Waggoner was the result of the ravages of tumor of the stomach, with which Mrs. Waggoner has been suffering since 1897.

Mrs. Waggoner was an early Oregon pioneer. She was a native of Illinois, having lived with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wigle in Adams county, of that state, until 1852; the young girl then five years of age, crossed the plains with the family and arrived in Oregon, Linn county, the same year. In 1865, Miss Wigle was married to Mr. Thomas Waggoner. The two settled on a farm near Monroe and have resided in that community in peace and quietude until the time of the death of Mrs. Waggoner.

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Letter List.

The letters remaining in the Corvallis Post-office for the week ending Dec. 2, 1899.

Mrs E H Anderson	James, Henry
George Armstrong	W V Acocks
Mrs Martha Kitching	John Berrie
Mrs Sarah Lambard	John Cort
Frank Moar	Ruben Robenson
Miss. Mary Rutherford	J J Cale
Mrs Sarah Eccleston	F E Richards
Mrs C E Schieffelin	F E Hamersley
Mrs Ira Taylor	Will Heilman
F E Hite	

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