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**LOCAL NEWS.**

Mrs. W. A. Currin and mother went to the coast Saturday to remain a week or two.

Miss Jennie Clark left Friday for a visit of some length with friends in McMinnville and Newberg.

Miss Kate Jones, of Independence, was visiting friends in Corvallis the latter part of last week.

After suspending publication for several weeks, the "War Cry" was again issued in Corvallis Saturday.

Mrs. Baldwin and Mrs. C. C. Hogue, both of Albany, have been visiting in this city during the past week.

Henry Wortham returned Thursday evening from his outing in the McKenzie country. He reports an enjoyable time.

Adam Asell returned from Newport the latter part of last week. He brought some very fine agates home with him.

The last number of the Pacific Homestead contains a very nice write-up of Kings Valley, its resources and advantages.

William Buoy, C. & E. agent at Toledo, returned to his duties a few days ago, after sojourning a week or more in the valley towns.

Frank Lilly's dog boarded the blind baggage on the Sunday excursion and rode to Philomath. Frank went out to that burg and brought him home.

Of late there have been several impromptu and informal dances held in this city. A wheezy fiddle and a select crowd, with sounds of revelry, will always attract attention.

R. E. Gibson went to the coast Saturday and was expected to return yesterday accompanied by members of his family who have been over there for the past few weeks.

A F. Peterson left the latter part of last week for Hood River, Or. He will have employment for some time up there, as he will be in charge of the construction of quite a fine residence.

Prof. Knieley is to occupy the Hadley residence during the coming year, the place formerly occupied by President Gatch. His household effects have arrived and he has already moved into the house. His family are expected to arrive in October.

Reports from different localities regarding hops are far more flattering at present than they were a couple of three weeks ago. At that time they were threatened with lice, but it is now stated that the lice are fast disappearing and that they caused only slight damage.

Major F. E. Edwards will go some place this week to spend his vacation. He has not determined yet whether he will go to his parent's home in Eastern Oregon, or if he shall go to Belknap Springs. The reason of his indecision lies in the fact that his folks may be at Belknap during the season.

There has been some inquiry as to the reason why William Griffith was not sent to the penitentiary at the same time that Bert Griffith and Frank Baker were for killing cattle in Lincoln county? The reason is that William cannot be located. Just before the warrants were issued he disappeared and has not been seen since.

The news was passed around last Friday evening that the Nomesites from Corvallis would return on the C. & E. 8:00 o'clock train, and quite a crowd assembled to welcome them. One solitary representative, Geo. Bowers, rolled in. Ernest Fischer and Park McDonald came in on Saturday's afternoon train. It is understood that the party did not wish to risk its treasure on one train, and therefore, decided to come on different trains.

In a letter from Hob. Binger Herman, commissioner of the general land office, to Judge Burnett of this city, he says: "It will please you to know that your soldier boy is doing so well in the census bureau. He is engaged in the manufacturing division, a branch in which there is considerable education and gives a boy an idea of the vast scope of that great industry throughout the United States as well as in reference to the variety of the industry. He is also pleased with his duties."

Dr. J. A. Harper was a bayward passenger Saturday.

Emil G. Trachsel, of Summit, has accepted a position in this locality.

Miss Leona Smith is visiting in Albany, the guest of Miss Mary Stewart.

Mrs. A. F. Hershner and daughter, Joyce, went over to Newport on the Firemen's excursion.

Rev. L. M. Bozer will preach in the Mt. View school house on Sunday afternoon at half-past two.

Grover Hadrick went over to Alsea Saturday, but is expected to arrive back here again the last of the week.

Mrs. J. A. Spangler returned home last Friday evening from an extended visit in Oregon City and Linn county.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Rennie left Sunday morning for Lincoln county, where they will join the Bryson-Johnson outing party.

Mrs. Robt. C. Miller, who has been visiting in Detroit, Michigan, for the past few months, will start for her home in this city today.

The thirteen-year old son of Mrs. Molly Simpson is expected to arrive today from Iowa. His mother has not seen him for eight years.

Claude Riddle, who has been spending his vacation in Corvallis, will leave for a short visit at his old home in Douglas county tomorrow.

J. M. Nolan came over from the coast Monday for a short stay, when he will again join his family for the remainder of the season at Newport.

George Reed came up from McMinnville, Saturday, where he is assisting in the construction of a large brick building. He returned to the above place this morning.

Judge W. S. McFadden returned Saturday from Yreka, California, whither he has been on legal business. Few lawyers in this state have a larger or wider practice than Judge McFadden.

Professor E. H. Bennett, for many years principal of the north district school of Corvallis, but now a prominent Portland druggist, was a passenger on Saturday's C. & E. for Newport.

U. B. Vogle returned from the coast Saturday. He states that he was fairly successful in his business over there. He intends to close out his business in this city and go to Chicago, where he will take a course in optical science.

Mr. Gleason and family who left for California to reside last spring, returned to Corvallis Friday. While they found much in the golden state to admire, they hold it second to Oregon, and are now prepared to reside here in contentment.

Some time during Friday night or Saturday morning, a party entered the field of Johnny Walker, a mile or so west of this city, and appropriated 40 bushels of oats. Officers are now investigating the matter and suspicion rests strongly upon a certain citizen.

Sam P. Smith, formerly foreman of the college farm and assistant professor of agriculture, passed through Corvallis en route for Newport, Saturday. Mr. Smith has spent the past three years in Iowa and other eastern states, but is residing for the present in McMinnville.

State Game Warden L. P. W. Quimby paid this office a visit the last of the week. Speaking of the game laws, he says there are now a number of defects, and he will recommend that changes be made at the next session of the legislature. For instance, the open season for Chinese pheasants should begin September first, instead of October first, as now. Mr. Quimby has appointed R. A. Zahn, deputy for Alsea, and Jack Slocum deputy for Corvallis, and will appoint deputies for other parts of the county where they are new lacking.

Prof. J. H. Orcutt, of Hawarden Iowa, has been elected president of the Central Oregon State Normal School at Drain. He has arrived and taken up his work. He is a thorough gentleman of many years experience in normal school work and proposes to have a first class school. With the help of the state appropriation, good laboratories and other facilities have been secured so that the school will be more thoroughly equipped than ever before. The year's work will begin on September 17th, and there is a good prospect for a large and enthusiastic attendance.

Miss Edith Gibson will leave about September 1st for Boston. She will enter the New England Conservatory of Music and expects to complete the course of instruction on the piano before she returns. She has long been recognized as one of the leading pianists of this city and her talent fully justifies the course she is taking. How long she will be absent cannot at this date be stated. Mrs. E. R. Lake and son will go to Michigan, and Miss Lilah Spencer goes to Cleveland, Ohio, and it is expected that the above parties will travel east together, as they desire to depart on about the same date.

**THE FURRY HARE.**

Benton's Pioneer Rabbitry Well Stocked with These Little Animals.

The Belgian Hare industry, so profitably conducted in California during the past two years, is steadily gaining in popularity in Oregon where climatic conditions are even more favorable for their successful propagation, and the Willamette valley bids fair to rival Southern California as the center of the Belgian hare industry on the Pacific coast.

The furry little animals seem to have been introduced into America at a most opportune time. While the demand for meat is constantly increasing all over the world the supply of meat producing animals is less than it has been for years. The vast grazing lands of the West which have hitherto supported thousands of cattle are rapidly being encroached upon by settlers. It is therefore a paramount question as to how the supply may be kept equal to the demand.

The hare has certainly come in our midst to stay and occupy an important place, and we find it hardly possible to estimate the real value of an animal that will produce such a superior quality of meat at so small expense of time and money. Upon this solid economic basis must rest the business of propagating them.

**MEAT PRODUCING QUALITIES.**

From the best authority obtainable it is estimated that one doe, at the least calculation, will produce from five to six litters a year, the number of young in each varying from six to twelve, and frequently more.

We will presume the doe is bred five times during the year, and with the low average of eight to a litter, gives us 40. Now, supposing half of these are does, which is generally the case, your four does from the first breeding will produce twice before the end of the year, make 64, and added to those of the mother doe we have 104. But this is not all. The four does from the second litter by the mother will be old enough to have kindled once before the year closes, making 32 more to be added to the 104, which gives a grand total of 136 from one rabbit in a year.

But here is another way of figuring it: We take the same low average of eight, and if the doe is bred five times during the year we have forty. At the end of eight months they should easily average eight pounds each, if they are the right stock, or the 320 pounds for the 40. You may well wonder of there is any other food producing animal on earth that can so multiply its own weight; and this is not all, by a good deal, of its probabilities—not possibilities.

Everybody eats. It is a habit as old as the human race, and no substitute for eating has ever been discovered among people who care to live, and as an article of food the Belgian has no peer when dressed properly and ready for the pan or oven. It is more healthful, clean and palatable than any other meat product, for the Belgian is strictly noncarnivorous and fastidious in his feeding. The flesh is superior to turkey, veal or lamb, being all white meat, tender and sweet.

**HARES VS. CHICKENS.**

Comparatively little trouble is experienced by the poultry keeper in becoming a breeder of Belgian hares. Indeed, no well regulated poultry yard should be without a rabbitry. There is no combination in the production of domestic animals equal to that of chickens and hares. While the fowls are earning nothing and doing nothing but eating and growing during the months of June, July, August, September and October, the Belgians will be propagating, as, in fact, they will during the remaining seven months of the year. There is no month in the year when hares cannot be successfully raised, but there are a few months when chickens cannot be hatched and raised profitably. It is an easy matter for any person with a little back yard space to add something to his annual income by owning and properly caring for a few Belgian hares; they will repay the owner for his outlay of feed and labor.

To start the enterprise all that is needed is a few dry goods boxes, four or five feet square, with hinged door made of wire netting. They will thrive on anything that may be fed to sheep, but nothing but clean, wholesome food should be given them. The better the food for

the animal the better the meat for man.

**FUR VALUE.**

Last, but not least, is the Belgian of exceptional value as a fur-producer. Their pelts are used extensively in the old country in the manufacture of felt hats, rugs, robes and garments. Many so-called seal skins are in reality what is termed by dealers "electric sealskin," or in other words, Belgian hare pelts dyed to a rich seal brown. A few skins, well tanned, joined together and lined, will make a rug or robe, well worth three times as many dollars as there are skins in it.

Perhaps the most convincing argument is to point to what the business has been and still is in Southern California. Hundreds of people are engaging in this industry, and many in a small way, but with few exceptions all have made money.

It costs no more to raise a well bred Belgian hare than a cheap one, and then in a remarkably short time the original stock may be paid for from the increase. Either raise thoroughbreds or none at all.

As the industry is only in its infancy competition tends to build up trade. Few people realize the vastness of our country, and, notwithstanding the fecundity of the hare, many years will have elapsed before all of our 75,000,000 people have a surplus of stock. The first to engage in this industry will be the first to reap the reward.

John W. Simpson, the pioneer breeder of Belgian hares in Benton county, has for sale highly pedigreed hares of all ages, raised from many of the most popular strains of California, recently imported from England. Any one interested in Belgian hares should not fail to see his stock.

**Another Bridge Falls.**

C. A. Overlander came over Thursday from his ranch on Big Elk, Lincoln county. He was accompanied by his brother, Fred, who had been over there for an outing of three weeks. Charley came out for a wagon load of provision, as the people of that section are obliged to lay in their winter stores before the roads become impassable.

In speaking of affairs in Lincoln county, Mr. Overlander remarked on the recent bridge catastrophe near Eddyville, in which Mrs. Lucky was killed. He reported that a day or two after the collapse of the "Well-tin bridge" the Ramsdall bridge, which spans the Big Elk a few miles above Elk City, fell down. A remarkable feature regarding this bridge is the fact that a couple of days before it fell down George Hodges, who resides on Big Elk, hauled a load of more than a ton over the structure. That it should stand this, and then collapse a couple of days later when there is nothing on it, is one of those unaccountable things that transpire at intervals and attract the attention of mankind.

From what is learned of the general condition of the county bridges of Lincoln, it seems that there has been great negligence in some quarter. Otherwise, there would not be so many reported unsafe.

**Cut the Lock.**

In our last issue we mentioned that in all probability "Tex" Daniels would be more anxious to break out of than into jail before his fifty days' confinement expired. This was a good guess and the correctness of it was proven Friday. His meals are served to him in his cage and during one of them he secreted a table knife. Friday, with the aid of this instrument he came near effecting his escape. He reached his hand through the bars and, using the knife as a saw or file, cut the lock in two and gained the freedom of the corridor. Had he not been discovered when he was, it would likely have been only a matter of a short time when he would have gained his liberty.

Saturday evening Chief Flett found that Mr. Daniels had removed the lock from his cell again and was just preparing to take his departure. Sunday he destroyed three locks and was in the main corridor when discovered. At this writing he is in his cell again.

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Buy your groceries of J. H. Simpson and you will get nothing but fresh goods.

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**"Fowl" Tales.**

We've got the money to bet that the hen mentioned in the last issue of the Times was a "game hen." We know something of hens ourselves and will relate what a Corvallis hen can do.

Max Miller, son of F. L. Miller, the clothier, felt heir to a little bantam hen by a stroke of good fortune. During the early part of the summer she wanted to sit, and Max, who is only about nine years old, set her in a basket. The quarters seemed to strike the little hen's fancy and she made herself at home. Max kept guard over her and the attachment between the boy and the hen reminded one of the legend of "Mary's Little Lamb." If Max went out to play, the chances are that he picked up the basket and took his sitting hen with him. If he went to the neighbors to visit the youngsters and have some fun the hen and basket accompanied him. Under all of these various trials Madam Bantam kept her eggs warm and in due season hatched a basketful of chickens. She is still alive and well and hasn't yet gone where things generally go in a hand basket.

On a farm about a mile south of town a chicken was hatched something like a month ago. It had neither feathers nor hair, and its general appearance was that of a bladder with head and legs. As it grew it got more and more puffed up and an examination proved that the outer skin was full of wind. At intervals the owner takes the chicken and punctures its breast with a needle, presses the wind out of it, and turns it loose. It always seems relieved when the operation is over. It is as spry as any chicken and perfectly healthy. If the owners succeed in getting this variety established it will likely prove a God-send to the human family, as it will do away with a lot of picking.

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