

## LOCAL NEWS.

Tom Carna, of Alsea, arrived Friday, en route to Independence, where he will spend a couple of weeks in the hop yards.

Miss Abbie Groshong went to Oregon city, Thursday. She will be absent about a week visiting friends in that city and Portland.

Mrs. Ed Andrews, of Corvallis, who has been visiting in Eugene a few days, went to Cottage Grove this afternoon for a visit.—Eugene Guard.

Charley Barnhart and son, Bert, returned, Thursday, from Wells, where they were engaged in papering and painting the house of Paul Dodele.

It is estimated that there are 25,000 hop-pickers at work in Oregon at present. The hops will not be so very heavy this year, but they are of fine quality.

Mordant Goodnough, the pianist, who recently went to Southern Oregon, writes that he will visit relatives in California before returning to Corvallis.

Sena McFarland, who at one time attended college in this city is now enlisted as a musician in the regular army and is stationed at the presidio, San Francisco.

Miss Bertha Thrasher went to Portland, Saturday. She will be absent until about the 25th of the month getting informed on the latest fall and winter fashions in ladies' attire.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Hall expect to leave today for Oregon City, where they will reside indefinitely. Mr. Hall has employment in the paper mills at that city and will remain through the coming winter, if not longer.

There are 47 applicants for a single vacancy in the Corvallis public schools. This state of things would indicate that, along with all other good crops, that of schoolmistresses is also abundant in Benton county.—Albany Herald.

According to a census report just out Oregon is one of the healthiest states in the union, our annual death rate being less than ten to the thousand population, while the average of the United States is fifteen. Portland shows only nine and one-half.

Professor McElfresh arrived on Sunday's train to make arrangements for moving his effects to Marion county, where he has a good position. During his short residence in Corvallis he has made many fast friends, who will regret to learn of his departure.

Mrs. S. N. Berry, of this city, received a telephone message Saturday morning, summoning her to Fossil, Or. Her son, John, is lying at the point of death at that place. He has consumption and went up there some months ago in the hopes of being benefited.

George H. Linderman, of Mt. View, was on the streets, Saturday, for the first time since Tuesday. While handling some grain at the Benton mills he had occasion to pass near a horse and the animal kicked him on the leg, just above the knee. He was quite severely hurt and still limps perceptibly.

Friday evening, about twenty young people of Corvallis took conveyances and drove down to the Benton County Prune Company's big orchard. They indulged in a dance in the new building that was recently erected for a prune dryer. A fine time is reported and Manager Johnson, of the prune company, was voted to be an ideal host. A delicious lunch concluded the festivities. Norton and Newton Adams furnished the music for the tripping of the "light fantastic toe." The party broke up about eleven o'clock.

Elsworth and Ralph Irwin began the task of washing the windows of the various OAC buildings last Friday. There are 325 windows to be washed. The first day Ralph washed 27 of the windows. All of these windows have to be washed four times a year. To one unaccustomed to the work such a task would seem everlasting, but the Irwin boys have had this work in hand so long that they do not think much about it. In order to hasten the work they are now working several additional hands.

The school board of the Corvallis public school met Friday night and chose two teachers to fill the vacancies. They selected Miss Francis Currin, of Salem, for teacher of the second grade. Miss Currin is a sister of Wm. Currin and Miss Ella Currin, of this city. Miss Jennie R. Noble, of Oregon City, was elected teacher of the fifth grade. Something of a change has been made in the allotment of grades, and when school opens next Monday the following will be the list of teachers and the grades they will teach: 1st grade, Ella Currin; 2nd grade, Francis Currin; 3rd grade, Lena McCormick; 4th grade, Edith Alderson; 5th grade, Jennie R. Noble; 6th grade, Lura Campbell; 7th grade, Mattie Lee; 8th grade, N. Tarter; 9th grade, Principal S. W. Holmes.

W. A. Sanders, Jeweler.

City council met last night.

Born, to the wife of Caleb Davis, Jr., last Thursday, a daughter.

Dick Zahn came from Alsea, Saturday, on business, returning yesterday.

The Benton County Suvivors will be shipped from San Francisco, tomorrow.

Richards & Pringle's famous Georgia minstrels will be here next Monday night.

Judge Woodward and family left yesterday for a few days' outing at Newport.

Headquarters for boys school suits made for the rough and tumble boy, double seat and knee. S. L. Kline.

D. M. Smith has purchased the property of Mrs. Martha Moore, on Ninth street. O. J. Blackledge made the sale.

Carl Hodges, now of Albany, shook hands with old Corvallis friends, yesterday. His shadow continues to grow beautifully greater.

Bruno Kunick, formerly a citizen of Germany, took out his naturalization papers Thursday. Adam Assel and Ben Waldt were witnesses.

Writing to the GAZETTE from Jersey City, N. J., Harry W. West, manifests an interest in this section of the country and asks us to send him the paper.

Sheriff Burnett and Attorney Bryson made a business visit to the vicinity of Summit, Saturday. They took their rifles along, but saw no big game.

Frank Williamson left for Salem yesterday in charge of Joe Brown's race horse. The animal will be taken to the fair grounds. He is entered in light races.

A bad bridge on the road to Albany, in this county, is reported. It is located just beyond the railroad crossing, about two miles this side of Albany, and needs immediate attention.

The play "The Irish Duke" is now in rehearsal and will be produced September 20th, under the direction of Prof. Smith, and business management of Postmaster Johnson.

A visit to Virginia did not prove as beneficial as was hoped for, and Mrs. H. C. Allen has started for Corvallis on the advice of her physicians. She is expected to arrive tomorrow.

The N. S. Lilly machine completed a 26-day's run last Saturday. Mr. Lilly says that in length of time, quality of grain, freedom from accidents, this is the best run he has had in years.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Wilkinson, of Portland, arrived yesterday en route to Alsea on a visit to relatives. Mr. Wilkinson is the chief engineer on the Burnside bridge at Portland. Mrs. Wilkinson is a sister of Miss Nellie Evans, of this city.

Preparations were begun yesterday morning for the moving of Virgil Water's residence from its present location, at the corner of 3rd and Madison streets, to the property recently purchased by that gentleman, near the creamery.

Today, Roy F. A. Lark and wife, Miss Ruth Thomas and Victor Moses will start for Southern Oregon. Miss Thomas will proceed on to California to visit relatives, while Rev. and Mrs. Lark and Victor Moses will attend the Southern Oregon M. E. Church, South, conference, which convenes at Medford tomorrow. The last named three will be absent about a week.

Some months ago we published an account of the accidental shooting of Nathan Sumpter, in the vicinity of Detroit, Or. He was shot in the head and the bullet lodged there, and some of the brain oozed out of the wound. He was taken to Albany for treatment. He seemed to do well right along and after the first few days was not greatly inconvenienced. A few days ago an Albany surgeon applied the x rays to Sumpter's head and located the ball, which was easily extracted. The patient is now on the road to rapid recovery. Taken altogether, this has proved quite a remarkable case.

By the latter part of next week many students from the various sections of the state will have arrived in Corvallis to attend the Agricultural College during the ensuing school year. College will open September 20th, and every thing indicates that the attendance will be larger than ever. Each year notes an improvement in the college. This year will see a business course inaugurated, also a course in music. The latter course will be somewhat limited, being restricted to piano and vocal instruction. However, from humble and unpretentious beginnings great things may result, and in this instance our people may hope to see the day when music in all of its branches will be thoroughly taught at the OAC.

## Farm for Sale.

R. B. Blodgett offers for sale his 570-acre stock farm, one-half mile from Blodgett, Oregon.

## WAS MURDER ATTEMPTED?

Dynamite or Black Powder Exploded Near Tent in Lilly's Hopyard.

What may prove to have been an attempt to commit murder, occurred at the Lilly hop yard, just beyond Crystal Lake cemetery. At that hour a blinding flash and deafening report startled all who were encamped in the vicinity from their slumbers, and was heard by parties in Corvallis and on College hill who had not yet retired.

While investigation of the facts does not justify the first sensational reports, still there is material for belief that a dastardly crime was attempted and should sufficient evidence be found the guilty parties will be brought to trial.

From Sheriff Burnett and B. Woldt, who visited the scene, yesterday, these facts were learned:

Mrs. Wisnoffski, a sister of Mr. Woldt, and three children, a daughter aged 17, and two sons, 18 and 15 years of age respectively, were sleeping in a tent, some 50 yards distant from other tents, when they were suddenly awakened by a flash and loud report. It was raining at the time and Mrs. Wisnoffski thought that a bolt of lightning had struck near them. Investigation proved that powder or dynamite had been exploded outside of the tent, within a foot of the heads of the two boys who were sleeping on the ground. That neither of them was seriously injured is miraculous. Pieces of an old jumper in which the explosive was wrapped was found, together with some bits of the fuse with which it was fired.

Tracks were discovered leading to and from the tent. Threats have been made against the lives of the Wisnoffski family, and some suspicious circumstances point toward the guilty parties.

## OUR CITIZENS STUNNED

At News of the Wanton Attempt on the Life of the President.

News of the attempted assassination of President McKinley was received in Corvallis, as elsewhere, with mingled feelings of horror and surprise. The brief dispatch "McKinley shot twice, fatally," and dated at Buffalo, N. Y., reached this city about 4 o'clock Friday afternoon. Faces blanched as the direful news was learned, and tears were choked back as groups of citizens discussed the horrible event. Shortly after the first dispatch it was rumored that the president was dead and all the flags in the city were placed at half-mast. Later came the glad tidings that the great heart of the nation's chief still beat and the awful feeling of suspense was relieved. Every scrap of news has been eagerly seized upon, and even at this moment the intense interest in the president's condition has not abated in the least.

Sunday, in all the churches in this city special services were held and prayers were offered to the Great Ruler to spare the life of our noble executive.

Every hour brings more encouraging reports regarding the president's condition. A dispatch received at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon states that his condition "is generally improved; no unfavorable symptoms have arisen; bowel and kidney functions are normally performed; temperature 101; respiration, 26."

## Were Badly Jarred.

Arthur Buchanan and Will Horning took an active part in a mix-up, Saturday, which shook them both up pretty badly, and Will emerged with a broken finger and other painful injuries. Arthur was in town with a wagon to which were attached four horses. The wheelers were newly broken colts, while the leaders were old-timers. He was at Horning's blacksmith shop just as the whistles blew for dinner, and Will climbed beside him on the high seat to ride home for lunch. Near the Emery Allen residence, a bicyclist whizzed past, frightening the colts, which charged forward, stampeding the whole four. As they neared the bridge at full speed, Arthur turned them into the high sidewalk leading to that structure and there was a pile-up; the wheelers on top of the leaders and the wagon on top of them all. Arthur managed to escape unhurt, but Will, who was nursing a sore of muskellons in his arms, was thrown backward to the bottom of the wagon. His arms were skinned and bruised, and the third finger of his right hand was bent backward until the joint protruded through the flesh. Dr. Farra dressed the wound, and it is hoped that no permanent injury will result.

## County Court.

On Wednesday, September 4, the county court for Benton

county met in regular session. The usual grist of bills were audited and the following items of business attended:

In the matter of building bridges S. H. Peterson was awarded the contracts for the following improvements: To build the two bridges near Sol Kings for the sum of \$115; to build the bridge near the Richland school house, \$100; to build the bridge across Muddy near William Barclay's for the sum of \$158; and to build the bridge a mile and a-half south of the Hartless bridge for the sum of \$30.

R. M. Gilbert was awarded the contract of putting in a fill at Abrams' gate, near Richland school house for \$58.

H. F. French having by consent of this county undertaken the collection, management and display of a county exhibit at the state fair, the county deemed it right and proper to assist in defraying the expenses of the same and it was ordered that a county order be drawn in his favor for this purpose.

County Assessor H. L. Bush presented the Assessment Rolls of Benton county for the year 1901, to the county court, completed as per law required. It was ordered that the rolls be received and held by the clerk for examination by the board of equalization, and the clerk was instructed to make the necessary copy for the sheriff and to furnish the Secretary of State with a summary as per law required.

J. S. Miller was awarded the contract for putting in a fill on Kings Valley road, near McCenney's, for the sum of \$50.

Sheriff Burnett submitted his official bond on his behalf as sheriff of Benton Co., Or., by The United Fidelity and Guaranty Co. in the sum of \$10,000, and asked the court to accept it in lieu of his former bond. The court continued the matter for the term.

In the matter of petition of E. Walden for payment of interest wrongfully collected of him at tax sales, the matter being regularly presented by W. S. McFadden, attorney for E. Walden, after hearing argument of E. Walden's counsel, the court, being advised, denied the petition.

## Benton Pensioners.

The matter of the number of pensioners in this county drawing pensions from the United States government was under discussion the other day and Clerk Walters gave it as his opinion that the number will not exceed fifty. Mr. Walters is in a position to know very nearly what the number should be. There was a law passed in Oregon in 1898 which made it obligatory upon the clerks of the various counties of the state to execute pension vouchers without charge. Pension vouchers may be executed by a notary public or a justice of the peace as well as by the clerk, but the former are entitled to fees. Fully half of the pensioners of the county reside in Corvallis, and the fact that their vouchers may be executed without fees at the clerk's office brings a number from other points of the county to have this matter attended to. The pensioners are paid quarterly, beginning March 4th of each year.

There are four pensioners in this county whose individual pensions amount to \$288, or more, annually. Of those drawing pensions in this county about ten are women. About thirty-five pension vouchers are executed each quarter at the clerk's office and Mr. Walters' estimate of the total number of pensioners in Benton is based on this fact.

## More Railroad Talk.

Following upon the heels of the announcement in the Oregonian that A. B. Hammond has purchased a large tract of timber land in Tillamook County, thus greatly increasing his already large holdings west of the Coast Range, came the following dispatch from Salem, to that paper: While no one here pretends to know anything definite regarding Mr. Hammond's affairs, there are many who think this part of the valley will feel an increase of business activity as a result of his enterprises. It is prophesied on the streets that a railroad will be built from the Tillamook country to connect with the Corvallis & Eastern, which now extends from Detroit, in the Cascade Mountains, to Yaquina. There has been at frequent intervals talk of an extension of the Corvallis & Eastern across the Cascade Mountains, and

through Eastern Oregon to a connection with some transcontinental line. This would open up a vast area of land in Eastern Oregon, now used only for grazing purposes, and would provide a more direct route for the lumber manufactured along the line of the Corvallis & Eastern, this side of the Cascades. A railroad down the Coast from the Nahalem to Yaquina would reach large areas of timber land, such as that in the Siletz country, and would develop the dairying industry in the good pasturage region on the West slope of the Coast Range. One of the remote possibilities suggested by Salem people is that a railroad might be built from Tillamook across the Coast Range, through the Grand Ronde pass and through Salem to a connection with the Corvallis & Eastern near Stayton.

## AMUSEMENTS.

Richard & Pringle's Famous Georgia Minstrels.

The announcement of the coming of Richards & Pringle's magnificent minstrel organization to the Opera House, Monday Sept. 16, promises patrons of enjoyable amusement the best minstrel bill of the season, eclipsing every previous effort of this big company. It comes this season greatly augmented with an array of the most inviting up-to-date novelties ever seen in minstrelsy. The roster includes fifty prime entertainers and the popular "Alabama quartet." The street parade, the big outside attraction takes place at 2:30 p. m.

## Additional Local.

The Black Cat. Go to Zierolf's for Alsea honey.

Royal fruit jars, the best thing going, at Zierolf's.

Shingles and cedar posts at the Corvallis sawmill.

Our Own washing powder—5 pounds for 25cts—at Zierolf's.

Big special—25 per cent off on all summer goods at Kline's.

Our new outing flannels and flannellettes have arrived. Nolan & Callahan.

J. D. Mann & Co. have just received a line of new carpets. Some beautiful designs.

The very best washing powder "Our Own," at Zierolf's. Five pounds for a quarter.

Our Ladies garments for Fall are all New York made; strictly up-to-date in style and fit. Nolan & Callahan.

Our new stock of Mens clothing will arrive this week. Latest styles, elegant fitters for good dressers. Nolan & Callahan.

Kline's new clothing for fall has the self-retaining front, keeps your coat in shape, and does not wrinkle like the kind that is usually sold.

Our new Fall stock of Ladies Tailor-made Suits; separate Skirts, Jackets, Capes, Cloaks and Dress goods have arrived. Nolan & Callahan.

Ladies Tailor-made Suits to order. Our book of Samples for Fall has arrived. We take measure and guarantee a fit or no trade. Nolan & Callahan.

Our boys clothing department is a school that forms in boys the habit of wearing good clothing. We take pupils as young as three years of age. S. L. Kline.

Allen & Woodward received their supply of Public School books this morning. All having old books to exchange would do well to do so this week and avoid the rush next Monday. They will also have a supply of College Text Books and nearly everything in the stationary line at the lowest prices. Call and see them.

## New School Books Here.

The new books selected by the School Book Commission are now here, and school patrons will do well to call and buy early.

C. A. GERHARD,

Prop. of The Book Store.

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To tell what I can do. Satisfied customers speak for my work. Went you be one, and bring your work to

## W. A. SANDERS

The Jeweler, Corvallis, Oregon.

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Will sell or trade for grain, hay, cattle or any kind of stock except horses. Call on or address,

J. H. MATTHEY,

Corvallis, Or.

## Government Land.

Parties desirous of locating on government land should see

J. W. WEBER,

Angora, Or.

Try this Office for Job Work.

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FOR Fall and Winter.

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Mens' Clothing

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The Great Overcoat House.

We have selected an extra large order from these two well-known firms, and you can be assured that they will be correct in style and fit; self-retaining front, silk-sewed throughout, and guarantee with every suit from \$10 up.

BEST GOODS AT LOWEST PRICES

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BENTON COUNTY LUMBER COMPANY

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Corvallis' Most Popular Eating House

THE Pioneer Bakery AND RESTAURANT.

Fresh bread daily. A complete stock of candies, fruits and nuts kept constantly on hand. Smokers supplies a specialty.

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Jelly glasses, "Royal" fruit jars, etc., at Zierolf's.

## DR. ROBERTS

The eye specialist, will be in Corvallis, from Monday, September 9th, until Monday, September 16th, only.

## Wanted!

Parties to cut oak and ash wood from now on, and during next fall and winter. The work must be done neat and clean, and wood cut even length, closely trimmed and honestly corded. Apply to

M. S. WOODCOCK,

Corvallis, Oregon.

## For Sale.

Four-room cottage and two lots, near S. P. depot. Inquire of W. C. Corbett, Corvallis, Or.

## To Let.

Mrs. V. Espy has a suite of 3 or 4 furnished rooms to let. They are suitable for small family or young lady students who desire to board themselves, and contain, among other things, a kitchen range and a fireplace. For particulars call at residence in this city.

## Wanted.

A thorough up-to-date farmer to take charge of a farm, with such experience that he can calculate and appoint his time so as to be prompt in planting and caring for crops. Also having a successful experience in handling, feeding and caring for stock. Applicants will please furnish references as to their experience, success, and where they have operated. Address

M. S. WOODCOCK,

Corvallis, Oregon.

## Dr. Maud B. Holt

Osteopathic physician will be permanently located in Corvallis after September 18. Will treat both chronic and acute diseases without the use of knife or drugs. Office first door south of Miss Johnson's millinery store. Hours from 9 to 12 a. m.; 1 to 5 p. m.

J. E. FOWELLS SHOEMAKER.

Repairing promptly and neatly done. First door west of the GAZETTE office.

## HARVEST

Will soon be over and you are probably thinking of purchasing a watch or some piece of jewelry or silverware. Call and see my stock. I can give you good bargains at prices that are very low.

E. F. GREFFOZ,

The Jeweler.

## Wanted

To trade, a pair of work horses in good condition, for 300 bushels of oats, delivered. Apply at my ranch, near Monroe.

J. W. WALTERS,

## Call for Warrants.

Notice is hereby given that there is money in the treasury to pay city warrant number 2879 for general fund, endorsed November 14, 1899. Also all city street warrants endorsed prior to July 10th, 1901. Interest will stop on the same from this date. Wm. McLagan, City Treasurer.

Dated Corvallis, Oregon, July 30, 1901.

Foley's Kidney Cure makes kidneys and bladder right