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LOCAL NEWS.

Born, Saturday, to Reverend and Mrs. H. A. Deck, a daughter.

Drummers' samples of various articles at cost, at Small & Son's.

A call for bids for wool, issued by the clerk of School District No. 9, will be found elsewhere in this paper.

A fine line of smokers' supplies at Small & Son's. Just the things for a Christmas present for a gentleman friend.

Miss Mildred Linnville was a passenger to Salem on Wednesday morning's boat. She will be home after next Monday.

B. M. Martin purchased the north one half of block 22, Wells and McElroy's addition to Corvallis, Wednesday, from W. A. Wells.

Wm. Seckler is home for the winter. He has been in charge of repair work on a strip of railroad near Newberg, for the past several months.

The Clara Mathes company, advertised to appear in Corvallis all next week, will not be able to fill their engagement in this city, until some time in February.

Miss Clara Blakelee returned Tuesday from a sojourn of over a year in Portland. While in that city Miss Blakelee was book keeper at the Troy Laundry.

Nothing so pleasing as the small boy as something military. H. W. Hall has full regalia for drum majors, captains and other officers—boy's size. Then there are dolls, etc., for their sisters.

The water committee of the council, was given further time, at the meeting of that body Monday night, to report on the propositions now in its hands to supply Corvallis with mountain water.

Norton Adams fell from the roof of the Newhouse residence last Wednesday, and was fortunate enough to escape injury. He fell twelve feet and alighted in a wheel barrow full of soft earth that had been conveniently placed where it would receive him, a few moments before.

The Episcopal church, corner of Jefferson & 7th streets—Services in this church as follows: Sunday school and Rector's class every Sunday at 10 a. m.; morning prayer and sermon at 11 a. m. All, especially students, are cordially invited to each of these services.

C. MacLean, Rector.

After an absence of ten years, Philip Weber returned home last week for a short visit with his mother. Since his departure from Corvallis, Philip has visited nearly all portions of the Pacific coast. During the past few years he has been in Alaska, where he owns some promising claims. He left Dawson quite recently.

Rev. Hugh S. Wallace, president of the Co-Operative Christian Federation, has returned from a six month's tour of the East, in the interest of the movement, and is now in Portland. The Co-Operative Christian Federation is a Christian colony organized by Rev. H. S. Wallace, incorporated under the laws of the State of Oregon, and located at Monroe, Benton county. It is founded on the Bible, and makes the ethics of Jesus Christ the supreme law.

As stated in the GAZETTE, the Corvallis ferry has ceased operations until a new cable can be secured to replace the old one, recently broken. At the session of the commissioners court last week the following bids were opened for furnishing a cable: J. R. Smith & Co., 23 cents per foot; R. M. Wade & Co., \$21 per 100 feet; Huston & Bogue, 21 cents per foot; J. H. Simpson, 60 cents per foot; \$133. The bids of R. M. Wade & Co. and Huston & Bogue being identical and the lowest they were accepted. The former withdrew, and the contract was awarded to Huston & Bogue to furnish 750 feet of 7.8 inch plow steel cable at the ferry landing in Corvallis for 21 cents per foot.

The commissioners court has accepted the following proposition of the Corvallis Water Company to furnish water for the court house property: For quantities up to 25,000 gallons in any one month, at 30 cents per 1,000 gallons; for quantities exceeding 25,000 up to 50,000 gallons, in any one month, at 25 cents per 1,000; for quantities exceeding 50,000 gallons, and up to 100,000 gallons, in any one month, 20 cents per 1,000 gallons; for quantities of 100,000 gallons and up to 300,000 gallons, in any one month, 15 cents per 1,000 gallons. These figures conform pretty closely to the rates offered by this company to the city of Corvallis, in their proposition now before the council.

Miss Ethel Berman is visiting in Portland.

Harley Hall was up on business from Buena Vista, Thursday.

M. L. Adams, not D. S. Adams, was elected chaplain recently by Ellsworth Post.

Titus Ranney, the Summit merchant, was in Corvallis on business a couple of days this week.

Usual services every Lord's Day at the Baptist church at the usual hours. Heartily welcome for all.

Mrs. B. E. Starr returned to her home in Portland, yesterday, after a two weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. O. V. Hurt.

On the 17th inst., the United Artisans will give a reception to members and friends in the hall of the lodge in this city.

The First Spiritual Union of Corvallis, will hold services at Barrett Lyceum on Sunday, at 3 p. m. All friends cordially invited.

Some of the swellest things in the way of handkerchief and glove boxes for Xmas presents are now on display at H. W. Hall's.

Is modern "faith-healing" the child of Christianity? at the M. E. church at 11 a. m. next Sunday.

Frank L. Moore, Pastor.

Miss Lulu Spangler, who holds the chair of music in the Normal School at Weston, will spend the holidays with her parents in this city.

After an enjoyable visit with his parents and friends, Seth Hulbert left for Ophir, Utah, yesterday, to resume his duties in the mines near that place.

If all soda pop were as good as the soda pop James Bier manufactures, no other beverage would be used. We say this advisedly, after sampling a generous contribution.

As a result of a fall last Monday night, Dr. Pernot is confined to his home with a broken ankle. While the injury is not serious, it will keep the doctor home for two or three weeks.

The westside train did not arrive in Corvallis until 4 o'clock Wednesday evening. The delay was caused by a wreck near Beaverton, where the caboose of a freight jumped the track. No one was hurt.

A mask ball will be given at the Opera House on the evening of December 22nd. Appropriate prizes will be given for the best sustained characters. The music will be furnished by Turney and Overlander's orchestra.

After a short stay at Tucson, Arizona, J. C. Taylor is again at Marysville, California. In a letter to relatives in this city, Mr. Taylor states that he did not like Arizona, and will spend the remainder of his visit in California.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian church will be at home to the public at the residence of Mrs. John Simpson, on Thursday, Dec. 18th, from 1 to 6 o'clock p. m., during which time handkerchiefs will be on sale.

Court Notes.

Commissioners' court continued in session Friday and Saturday of last week, transacting the following business in addition to what has already appeared in the GAZETTE:

In the matter of application of Geo. L. Boone for rebate and cancellation of taxes for years 1899 and 1900, it appearing that said property was assessed through error to Isaac Leabo for these years and sold at sheriff's sale; and it further appearing that Geo. L. Boone had redeemed the property, it was ordered that the sum of \$13.46, delinquent tax and costs for 1899, be refunded to him, and taxes of 1900, be cancelled.

In the matter of expense incurred in correction of tax roll for the year 1902, "A proposition having been filed herein by County Assessor H. L. Bush offering to pay expense incurred in correction of said assessment rolls, it is therefore ordered that his said proposition be and is hereby accepted and that the costs here in in the sum of \$65 be deducted from his salary for the year 1902, as in said proposition is proposed." Robt. Johnson was allowed and paid for bridge work \$17.50, and R. M. Gilbert was allowed \$37.50 for like work.

In the matter of the application of Jas. E. Davis for gateway, the favorable report of the viewers was confirmed, and it was ordered that the road marked out by them be declared a public road. T. H. Francis was allowed \$25, and R. B. Blodgett \$5, as damages.

Bids for Wood.

Bids for furnishing School Dist. No. 9 with 70 cords fir and 25 cords oak grub wood for the ensuing school year will be received at the office of the school clerk up to January 19, 1903. For specifications and form of bid apply at the office of

MILES STARR,

Clerk for School Dist. No. 9, Corvallis., Or., Dec. 10, 1902.

Bids for Wood.

Bids for furnishing the Oregon Agricultural College with wood for the ensuing school year will be received at the office of the Purchasing Agent up to the thirty-first day of December, 1902. For specifications and form of bid apply at the office of the Clerk, or to the undersigned.

JOHN D. DALY,

Secy. Board Regents, Corvallis, Oregon, Dec. 8, 1902.

URNS PHILOSOPHER.

Mr. Jackson has "Studied Out" What is the Matter With the Salvation Army, and Things in General.

EDITOR GAZETTE:—God grant I may be worthy of the appellation, "Peace-maker," as suggested in the heading you placed over my letter of the 2nd inst.; for nothing would rejoice my heart more, than to see all the christian people of Philomath united in an harmonious endeavor to elevate the moral and financial condition of our beautiful little college town. And I can also say the same in regard to Corvallis. For, being as I am a soldier in an "army of peace" which girdles the earth, I could not discharge my duty in any better way than to say or do something that would cause the reconciliation and unity of action among the followers of Him—the hosts of heaven—in a commemoration of His birth. Glory to God in the highest. Peace on earth, good will to men. And what more fitting time or opportunity than the coming festivities in celebrating the greatest event in the world's history, could such reconciliation take place—the birth of the child, Jesus, who was to and does save His people.

I think I have studied out the reason or first cause, which leads to so much strife and contention, both in civil and religious bodies. It is (according to my observation and view of the case) undue harsh criticism. While it is our privilege and right to criticize the conduct of others, we should exercise that right, tempered with a full measure of charity. Oh! how it has pained my heart to listen to the unfriendly criticisms of comrades in the Salvation Army of our officers and leaders, and also in church organizations! And I have observed that this kind of criticism leads to contention and strife, and I firmly believe this kind of criticism led to the unsatisfactory condition in the Salvation Army in Corvallis. I feel sure this is the reason of so much discord in Philomath, in regard to our city officials.

It is so natural and easy for us to observe the faults and discover the mistakes of others, and so hard to perceive our own faults and wrongdoings, that we soon, I may say, unconsciously kindle the fire of distrust and contention, until, to the surprise of our better natures, the little flame bursts forth in its awful fury of burning conflagration of angry strife. This ought not so to be, especially among christians.

In conclusion let me thank you for your kindness in publishing my letter of 2nd inst., and may the God of peace abundantly bless you, is the sincere prayer of

Yours for better times,

E. A. JACKSON.

Philomath, Dec. 8, 1902.

Doings of the Dads.

Council met in regular session, Monday evening with President Avery in the chair.

The finance committee reported adversely in the matter of appropriating funds for advertising, and the report was adopted.

The reports of the police judge and treasurer were referred to the finance committee.

Bills were allowed amounting to \$325.45 on the general, and \$5 on the street funds.

A resolution was adopted, ordering the construction of sidewalks along the following property: West side of lots 7 and 8, blk 12, Dixon's 2nd addition owners, Wills and Hendricks; east side of lots 11 and 12, block 3, N. B. and P. Avery's addition, owner, O. J. Blackledge; east side of lots 6 and 7, block 12, N. B. and P. Avery's addition, owner, S. L. Kiline; east side of lot 8, block 12, N. B. and P. Avery's addition, owner, A. F. Peterson; east side of lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, block 17, Avery and Wells addition, owner, R. M. Cramer; east side of lots 1 and 2, block 4, Avery and Wells addition, owner, U. G. Berry; east side of lot 4, block 4, Avery and Wells addition, owner, S. Jensen; east side of lot 3, blk 4, Avery and Wells addition, owner, J. R. Bryson; west side of lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, block 21, Chase's addition, owner, F. L. Moore; west side of lots 10, 11, 12, block 2, Chase's addition, owner, Martha E. Berchtold.

The petition of the Ladies' Coffee Club to use the firemen's hall January 1st, was granted.

The matter of purchasing new gunwales for new ferry boat was referred to the street committee.

The draining of certain blocks on Second street was referred to the street committee.

The police judge was ordered and directed to issue a warrant directing the chief of police to collect all delinquent sewer assessments, and costs and interest due on said sewer assessments.

Their Election.

Perhaps in no place of its size is there a larger lodge of the order, a better class of members, more interesting meetings or more perfect harmony, than is found in the United Artisan lodge of Wells.

That the attendance is not larger is a source of regret, and being due to carelessness on the part of members, could easily be overcome. During the coming year it is earnestly hoped that each one will attend regularly and do his full duty towards building up the local lodge still further.

The Wells Artisans elected officers last Saturday evening, as follows: Master Artisan, Mrs.

Lottie Herbert Blake; superintendent, Ella Williamson; inspector, H. F. Ridders; secretary, E. A. Blake; treasurer, J. L. Fink; senior commander, Mrs. E. A. Thurston; junior commander, David Vanderpool; master of ceremonies, B. J. Ridders; field commanders, Mrs. M. L. Lewis and A. J. Hall.

Resigns \$1,800 Position.

Wednesday's Oregonian announces the resignation of Geo. E. Waggoner, an old Corvallis boy, as chief clerk of the surveyor-general's office, to enter into business with a land and mining investment company soon to be organized in Portland. That paper speaks in the following complimentary language of Mr. Waggoner:

As chief clerk of the Surveyor-General's office for six years, Mr. Waggoner has made a large acquaintance with the business men and public men of the state. Patrons of the office regard him as one of the most obliging and efficient men in that department of the government service.

The vacancy will be filled from the classified service, recommendations for appointment coming from the Civil Service Commission. It is likely that preference will be given to some Oregon man already in that branch of the service. The salary is \$1800 per annum, with an annual leave of 30 days on pay. This is one of the best clerical positions in the state. Were the appointment to come from political maneuvering, Mr. Waggoner's resignation would give rise to a lively contest. But as the appointment comes from competitive examination and proved ability, the struggle for preferment will not come before the public.

Will be a Gala Day.

Benton county Woodmen of the World have about completed arrangements for their celebration and initiation in Corvallis, December 30th. The committee having this matter in charge, met Tuesday afternoon and made out a portion of the program for this occasion. The day of the 30th will be devoted to sports, and the initiation will take place in the Opera House at night. All Woodmen lodges in the county will participate, and there will be team contests in floor work, for prizes. While the Woodmen are engaged in this work, the ladies of Marys Peak circle will entertain the ladies of visiting circles in their hall.

A feature of the afternoon sports, will be a football game between teams of Woodmen representing Philomath and Dusty lodges. The Woodmen band of Dusty will give a concert shortly after noon, and furnish music during the game. The forenoon program will include tug-of-war, pillow fights, log-sawing, chopping, nail-driving, and various other contests.

The Corvallis lodge expects to have its new uniforms here by the 30th, and the members of the uniform rank will appear in full regalia.

It is Sold.

It is said to be a fact that at last the farm, for 17 years occupied by A. J. Hall, at Wells, has been sold. The owner is J. J. Yore, of Downeyville, California, and the buyers, according to report, are George Green, of Portland, a former Benton county boy, and R. N. Williamson, of Wells. The price paid was \$26,750 per acre. The place comprises 243 acres, and the part on which the house and barn are located falls to Mr. Green, who will no doubt replace the old buildings with new ones.

Mr. Hall has possession until January, 1904. His plans for the future are not known.

The farm is located 10 miles north of Corvallis, and with a few improvements will make one of the prettiest homes in Benton county.

Additional Local.

Oil meal for sale at Graham & Wells. Splendid feed for dairy stock.

Ten per cent reduction on Men's suits at Kline's. Fit yourself out for Xmas.

Albums, dolls, toilet cases and a full line of general holiday goods at wholesale prices at Small & Son's.

THE CHRISTMAS STIR
IS NOW ON
AT S. L. KLINE'S

You should not fail to be numbered among the lucky purchasers this week. Now is the time, and this is the place to buy your Christmas Presents.

Toys and Holiday Goods Galore. A Complete Collection, so don't delay.

Our Christmas Dolls They are the kind that every little girl wants, and you can secure a whole family here. We have them in all sizes, from a tiny baby doll to a great big beauty, from 5 cents to \$5.	Toilet Cases The prettiest line we have ever shown, in ebony, sterling and celluloid. 50c, 75c, \$1 00, \$1 50, \$2 00, \$3 00, \$4 00
Collar, Cuff and Glove Boxes Always suitable for a Christmas present for a lady or gentlemen friend. 50c, 75c, \$1 00, \$1 50, \$2 00.	Christmas Handkerchiefs For ladies, men and children, in plain, hemstitched, lace, and embroidered edges of all kinds, at 5c, 10c, 20c, 25c, up to 75c.
Purses and Chatelaine Bags In all the latest novelties, from 25c to \$3 00	Special Sale of Men's Suits Part of our clothing was late arriving and we have placed them on sale at a 10 per cent reduction. These are the famous Hart, Schaffner & Marx make, quality guaranteed. A good chance X-mas present.
Album 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1 00, \$1 50, \$2 00, \$2 50, \$3 50, \$4 50, \$5 00.	Pictures and Decorated Ware Matted carbon mounts and medallions. A very pretty line of decorated ware, all at popular prices.
Hand Mirrors Articles that are always useful, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1 00, \$1 50.	Holiday Slippers For ladies and men. Slippers are an ideal present. Our line is large and attractive. Prices, 50c, 75c, \$1 00, \$1 25, \$1 50, \$2 00.
Gloves and Suspenders For quality and style our line can not be excelled. Gloves, 25c to \$1 50. Suspenders, 10c, 15c, 25c, 50c.	Ping Pong A royal game, or table tennis, \$1 25 \$1 50, \$2 00, \$2 50, \$3 00.
	Silverware In broken pieces and sets, from \$1 50 to \$7 00.

So varied are our assortments of pleasing things, and the prices range so wide, that selections to suit every individual's taste can be made at

S. L. KLINE'S
The White House.
Regulator of Low Prices. Corvallis, Or.

Miscalled His Hand.

Clum Reed's hand is not a diamond. He proved this fact to his utmost satisfaction one day this week. This is not saying that Clum's hand is not so valuable as a diamond, nor yet so ornamental, but it lacks one of the properties that distinguishes that gem—it will not cut glass. Clum was arranging Christmas toys in fetching display on the shelves at H. W. Hall's, and stepped back to survey his work, forgetful of the fact that he was balanced upon the top of a step ladder. On his way to the floor, he endeavored to balance on the glass show case on his left elbow. His intention was all right, but his elbow was too sharp, and as it passed through the glass, Clum straightened out his arm. The knuckles of his hand struck with great force against the edge of the broken glass, cutting the fingers to the bone.

For Sale.

Complete set of house furnishings, including bedroom sets, heating stoves, cook stove, kitchen and dining room furnishings, baby carriage, etc. Call at residence, opposite electric light plant and examine. JOHN G. HAISCH.

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Teacher of Voice and Pianoforte
Terms Reasonable.
CORVALLIS, OREGON.

Watch Confidence

Makes traveling a pleasure, when correct time is always a necessity. Yours may be a capable timekeeper, but through incompetent repairing you have lost faith in it. Bring it in to me. I will repair the worst wrecked watch, and I will do it economically.
Albert J. Metzger
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Xmas Gifts
My large stock of
Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Etc.
Has been constantly added to, and will continue to be added to preparatory for the Holidays. I have the largest line of Holiday Goods ever displayed in your city. Call and look it over.
E. W. S. Pratt,
The Jeweler and Optician.



Fruits for the Christmas Table

do here abound—fruits fresh and fruits fresh when encased in glass or tin; therefore sweet, fine flavored, luscious now. Then there are the relishes appertaining and belonging to that famous feast, the Christmas dinner. We have these, too, in plenty—sauces, catsups, chow chow, etc. Everything to help make the meats and vegetables a royal repast here.

P. M. ZIEROLF

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