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LOCAL NEWS.

Miss Minnie Frickey, of Salem, will speak at the M. E. church Sunday evening.

Born, February 23, 1903, to Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Abbott, in this city, a daughter.

Joseph Hirschberg, of Independence, spent Tuesday with relatives in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Harris are home from a two-weeks' visit in San Francisco.

Bert Yates went to Toledo, yesterday, to play cornet in an orchestral concert given in that city last night.

Miss Belle Ray, who has been employed at the Farmers hotel for the past year, left Wednesday for her home near Lebanon.

Miss Mildred Linville returns home from Portland, Saturday. Miss Linville held a clerkship in the senate during the legislative session at Salem.

Mr. Roberts, who has been in this city for the past four weeks, representing the Salem Nursery, left Wednesday morning for Lebanon, Or., where he expects to make his home in the future.

The missionary tea given by the ladies of the Presbyterian church at the home of Mrs. J. E. Andrews, Wednesday afternoon, was largely attended and the program rendered was very interesting. Dainty refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Smith went to Portland, Saturday, to meet Mrs. Chester Avery, who accompanied them home to Corvallis, Tuesday. Mrs. Avery is not in good health and she was greatly fatigued by the five days' staging from her home at Silver Lake to the nearest railroad station. Mr. Avery has enjoyed excellent health since moving to Silver Lake.

Members of the W. R. C. surprised Mrs. H. M. Hubler at her home last Friday evening, the occasion being the twenty-fifth anniversary of her wedding. Mrs. Thorp, on behalf of the members of the corps, presented Mrs. Hubler with a set of silver knives and forks and twelve pieces of china. A fine lunch was served, and the occasion was most enjoyable.

The basket sociable held at Granger last Friday evening, to secure funds for the purchase of an organ, was a grand success. After an excellent literary program by the pupils and friends, the baskets were auctioned by Sup't Denman, from which over \$50 was secured. Much credit is due the teacher for the excellent literary program. The patrons likewise deserve much praise for their public spirit in contributing such a large sum to help their school. Miss Corlie Star is teaching the present term.

Mr. J. D. Mann returned home Wednesday from a six-weeks' visit at his old home at Neodesha, Kansas. Although this was his first visit to Kansas in five years, Mr. Mann found very little change in the country or the people. In the immediate vicinity of his old home, oil has been discovered and this has produced a boom. Land, ordinarily worth \$10 or \$12 per acre, is now bringing \$100 per acre. For this reason there is little disposition to come to Oregon, or desire to seek residence any other place whatsoever.

It is said that Governor Chamberlain will issue a call early next month for the election to fill the vacancy in congress caused by the death of Congressman Tongue. The first Monday in June will very likely be the time set for holding the election. It is estimated that it will take from 72 to 80 days to perform the various steps necessary to nominate a candidate and give time for a brief campaign. Of course, this time can be greatly reduced if the delegates chosen by the county conventions last June, name the candidate for congress. If primaries are held and the whole machinery of the party be put in motion, a month and a half will elapse before a candidate can be chosen.

Order your trees and shrubs of W. F. Gray, Corvallis, Oregon.

Wednesday marked the opening of Lent, which period of penance and fasting will close with Easter Sunday, April 12th.

Remember the lecture this evening at 8 p. m., by Prof. Hawley. Admission will be by complimentary ticket. A few more can be had at A. K. Milner's, or of O. J. Blackledge.

Mrs. Anna Beach is home from an extended visit in the East. Miss Pauline Kline, who accompanied her from Corvallis, is now in Joplin, Mo., but expects to reach Corvallis some time next week.

The basket social given Tuesday evening by the Degree of Honor was a success socially and financially, although the attendance was lessened by counter attractions. The proceeds go to the general fund of the order.

E. E. Elliott and family left Tuesday morning for Corvallis, where they will spend two or three months before leaving for their future home in Indiana. They made many friends during their residence in this place.—Lebanon Express.

J. P. Durno, who has been a resident of Corvallis for the past four years, left with his family this week for California. Mr. Durno has no fault to find with Oregon, but he goes to California hoping to benefit his health by the change of climate.

The first of a series of studies on "The Holy Eucharist," will be given by Rev. Dr. C. MacLean, next Sunday, (first Sunday in Lent), in the several churches under his charge. At the Good Samaritan, Corvallis, at 11 a. m. All interested in the subject, (and what Christian is not) are invited.

The Astorian says that Senator Fulton's haste to reach Washington is occasioned by receipt of an urgent dispatch from Senator Mitchell, in which Mr. Fulton's presence at the national capital is requested immediately. Senator Fulton does not know the exact significance of the message. He will leave Wednesday and take his oath at once. Immediately thereafter he will return to the city and remain here until December, when he assumes his seat.

The Hawkins' sawmill, near Philomath, was put in operation last week, after an idleness of about two years. The mill has a capacity of 5,000 feet per day, and the present operators, the Philomath Mill Co., of which A. B. Horning is manager, intend to keep the machinery going the entire year. At present four men are employed in the mill and some 12 or 15 in the flume. The output now is mostly fir, but later in the season ash, maple, oak and other hardwood lumber will be put on the market.

J. W. Bailey, Oregon's dairy and food commissioner, favored the GAZETTE with a social visit while in Corvallis, Tuesday. In speaking of the National Livestock Association, which will hold its next session in Portland, Mr. Bailey said it was composed of the leading growers of livestock in the United States and their visit to Oregon would be of untold value to the state. Large portions of Oregon are especially adapted to the growing of cattle, and the gentlemen of the association will be quick to recognize this fact, and development of this industry will follow.

F. M. Carter, a druggist of Yaquina City, was in Salem, yesterday, having been brought down to the capital by the fierce political contest in progress. Mr. Carter first learned of the bill providing for a summer normal at Newport having been killed, on reaching this city, and was very much chagrined, saying that the people of his section were a unit in demanding the passage of the bill. Mr. Carter says that country is in a very prosperous condition, and with the new industries opening up, the future is very bright. The hatchery on the Big Elk river last year turned 600,000 young salmon loose into the river and this year they expect 10,000,000 to be released to grow and be caught again. Mr. Carter said that Yaquina bay would beat the world producing fine oysters, and he looks for rapid development of this new industry.—Statesman.

State Food and Dairy Commissioner Bailey was in Corvallis, Tuesday, when he conferred with the authorities at the Agricultural College regarding a chemist for his office. The new pure food law just passed by the legislature provides for the appointment of a dairy instructor and chemist, each to be paid a salary of \$1,200 per year. Mr. Bailey will appoint a chemist in a few days. He has a number of applications, but wishes carefully to ascertain the qualifications of each before making a selection. "I expect to run this office in the best way possible," said he. "When anyone brings a sample of milk in I want it to be thoroughly analyzed. I expect to fix up a fine laboratory for the chemist. An appropriation has been made for this and we will have it. As to the dairy instructor, we do not need one as yet. When one is necessary, I will appoint him."

James Hunter writes for sample copies of the GAZETTE, from South Lyon, Michigan.

Homer McGee returned to his home in Albany, Tuesday, after a visit of several days in Corvallis.

Henry Ambler, the Philomath real estate dealer, was in Corvallis, Wednesday. He reports everything in his line most lively.

From the best information available, it is estimated that 400 settlers a day will arrive in Portland during the spring months.

Mrs. Northrup, of Athens, Mich., is visiting at the home of her son, A. C. Tunison, in this city. She arrived Wednesday and will make an extended visit.

Mrs. E. E. Lyons, wife of the murderer of Sheriff Withers, who has been in jail awaiting trial for interfering with an officer, has obtained her release by depositing bonds in the sum of \$1,000.

Invitations are out for the wedding of Dr. George Ainslie and Miss Lona Smith, which will be solemnized at the Presbyterian church in this city, Thursday morning, March 12th, at 11 o'clock.

Miss Milda Foren, of Lebanon, who has been visiting friends in this city for the past two weeks, left Wednesday noon for Albany, where she will visit for a few days before returning home.

Rev. E. R. Pritchard, of Aberdeen, Wash., visited his brother, D. W. Pritchard, in this city, Tuesday. Rev. Pritchard is well known in Corvallis, where he has occupied the pulpit of the Presbyterian church on numerous occasions.

Mrs. Hawks returned to her home in Pendleton, Wednesday, after a short visit with relatives in this city. Mrs. Hawks is the daughter of Dr. Charles, formerly of Philomath. Her husband is bookkeeper in the large roller mills at Pendleton.

Miss Addie Bristow, formerly of Corvallis, who has been teaching in the McMinnville schools for a couple of years, has resigned that position, and left last Tuesday for Spokane to serve as an instructor in the schools of that city.

David Howard was adjudged insane and sent to the asylum last week. Mr. Howard has suffered from ill health for the past several months, and has threatened his life recently on numerous occasions. In one spell of melancholy he confided his intention to Rev. Moses and that gentleman promptly notified the county judge. An examination proved that Mr. Howard was not mentally responsible for his acts, and he was sent to the asylum.

The legislature is to be congratulated upon the repeal of the scalp bounty law. While the law has been inoperative for the last several months, owing to county courts refusing to pay bounties after the state appropriation became exhausted, the cost to the taxpayers of the state for bounties paid under the scalp bounty law has been \$350,000, or more than the probable cost of building and equipping the portage railway from The Dalles to Celilo.

Mr. Ira Griggs arrived in Corvallis, Tuesday, with his family from Laurel, Nebraska. Mr. Griggs reached Portland, Sunday, in company with 400 other home-seekers from the Middle West. Monday's morning West Side train brought about 70 of these new-comers out of Portland. Sixty of them stopped at McMinnville and the remainder came as far as Corvallis. Mr. Griggs is pleased with what he has seen of Oregon. The warm sun and balmy air, the green fields and verdant hills, are a pleasing contrast to the blizzards now experienced in the East.

Pythian High Jinks.

The Knights of Pythias of Valley Lodge, of this city, entertained a number of their friends at a smoker in their hall last Monday night, in celebration of the 39th anniversary of the order. It was no stiff-backed affair. Every one felt free to enjoy himself in his own way, and he proceeded to do so. There was no formality, and even the musical and literary program which preceded the festivities, was free from constraint. Knight Doty, of Salt Lake City, organizer for the endowment rank of the order, was present and added greatly to the enjoyment of the evening with his characteristic recitations and clever pantomimes. Robert Johnson, pantomimist of Valley Lodge, shared the honors with the Knight from the "City of the Saints." B. W. Johnson and Thos. Whitehorn presided over the culinary department. They prepared oysters raw, oysters pan, oysters cocktail and oysters etoeters, etoeters; beet tea, rye bread and accessories, with cigars, and every one helped himself. The initiation of a number of candidates into the mysteries of the degree of "equal rights" was performed just at the uncanny hour of midnight, and the festivities ended in a round of merriment.

IN FAVOR OF DEFENDANT.

Circuit Judge J. W. Hamilton has handed Down a Decision in Case of Groves vs. Osburn.

Judge J. W. Hamilton handed down a decision Wednesday in the case of Wm. Groves vs. John M. Osburn, sustaining the demurrer in the amended complaint in equity in this case. On the 23d day of November, 1900, Mr. Osburn went into bankruptcy in the U. S. District Court for Oregon, and on the 29th day of May, 1901, he obtained his discharge from the obligation of debts which discharge is as follows: "Whereas John M. Osburn of Corvallis, in the county of Benton, in said district, has been duly adjudged a bankrupt under the acts of congress relating to bankruptcy, and appears to have conformed to all the requirements of the law in that behalf; It is therefore ordered by this Court that said John M. Osburn be discharged from all debts and claims which are made provable by said acts against his estate and which existed on the 23d day of November, A. D. 1900, on which day the petition for adjudication was filed by him; excepting such debts as are by law excepted from the operation of a discharge in bankruptcy."

There is no contention between Mr. Groves and Mr. Osburn as to the discharge, but it bears an important part in the suit just decided by Judge Hamilton. When Mr. Osburn went into bankruptcy under the laws relating thereto, he scheduled all his property consisting of his farm, stock, and his residence in Corvallis, Oregon, and other property and turned over the same to the trustee, J. O. Wilson, and at the time claimed, as property exempt from execution his home in Corvallis. The trustee turned over this property to him, made due report of his action to the Court which report was approved by the U. S. District Court.

In the year 1893 the laws of Oregon were amended so that the exemptions from execution by the debtor were extended so that he might claim his home up to the value of \$1,500. Now comes the point in this case of Groves vs. Osburn. Mr. Groves for himself, and as assignee of several notes from other parties which had been given and become due before the year 1893, has undertaken in various and sundry actions and suits to subject this home property of Mr. Osburn to the payment of these several notes made prior to 1893. But State Circuit Judge Hamilton so far has held against the contention of Groves in the premises. Mr. Groves first brought an action at law and attached this property, whereupon Osburn asked and was granted a stay of proceedings in the State Court pending the disposition of the bankruptcy proceeding in the U. S. Court. Then Mr. Osburn answered that he had been discharged from all his debts and liabilities by the U. S. District Court, Plaintiff amended his complaint, but finally dismissed his action at law and instituted the present suit in equity to establish a lien upon the home place by reason of the said promissory notes. But Judge Hamilton, as stated above, has just now decided that there are not sufficient facts stated to justify the complaint as amended and sustains the demurrer to the same. Just what turn the plaintiff may yet take in the matter is not known. This case has been a prominent feature in all the sessions of the State Court for two or three years past and it is doubtful whether the case is yet ended, as Mr. Groves' attorneys say they will prosecute their side of the matter to the bitter end. Messrs. W. S. McFadden and E. E. Wilson represent Mr. Groves, and the firm of Yates & Yates, Mr. Osburn.

Improvement Society.

The regular monthly meeting of this society will be held this evening at the county court room, at 8 o'clock. All friends of the society are cordially invited. During the month of January quite a good deal of work was done with the limited means at the disposal of the managers. Some \$33.40 were collected and spent in various locations, and several dollars' worth of advanced work was done. The drainage of the west half of the public school block was completed, which removes a very unsightly condition, as well as improving the sanitary situation of the block. Slowly, but surely, is the work of beautifying the C. &

E. grounds progressing. The society is very grateful to the many citizens who have been so ready to assist in these beginnings. Come to the meetings if you can spare the time.

Additional Local.

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

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

The College Prohibition Association of Oregon, Washington and California will hold its oratorical contest in Corvallis, May 1st.

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.

Letter List.

For the week ending Feb. 21, 1903. Persons calling for these letters will please state date on which they were advertised. They will be charged at the rate of one cent each:

Miss Lottie Butler, Ralph Cate, J. H. and H. E. Dunn, John Erb, Mrs. E. B. Follett, F. O. Hale, Mrs. Ella Medgar, Hazel Montgomery, Elmer Maxfield, Mrs. Mollie Peterew, Miss May Peterson, M. J. Peters, Miss Rosie Price, J. C. Stevens, Fred Strake, A. M. Williams, B. W. JOHNSON, P. M.

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Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, as administrator of the Estate of Walter S. Hobbs, deceased, has this day filed his final account in said Estate with the county clerk of Benton county, Oregon, and the county court has appointed Monday, the 6th day of April, 1903, at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon of said day, for the hearing of objections to such final account and the settlement thereof. Any and all persons having objections to the same are hereby notified to be present at said time and place and make the same. Dated this 12th day of February, 1903. GALE S. HILL, Administrator of said Estate.