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LOCAL NEWS.

Dr. Lowe won't be back for three months.

Grant Elgin returned from a short visit to Newport, Wednesday.

Mrs. George Mercer, of Monroe, is visiting relatives in Corvallis.

Dr. Lowe leaves Saturday noon. Don't fail to see him about your eyes.

E. P. Grefoz and Mack Hemphill left today for a two-weeks' hunt on Five Rivers.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kiger returned from their visit to Newport, Wednesday.

Dr. Lowe, the oculist, is now at the Occidental to remain 'till Saturday noon.

Hon. Wallis Nash passed through Corvallis, Wednesday, en route from the coast to Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Shedd leave for the coast today, and expect to spend the summer at Nye Creek.

Hon. B. F. Jones, of Toledo, Lincoln county's most prominent attorney, was in Corvallis on business this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Eph Cameron have returned to their home in Union, Or., after a pleasant visit with relatives in this city.

Harry Davis has assumed the duties of assistant agent for the C. & E. at Yaquina, to which position he was recently appointed.

New sidewalks have just been constructed along the west side of the residence property of Mrs. Mary Stewart and F. G. Clark, on Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Coote gave a lawn party Monday afternoon to their grandchildren, Amy and Mabel Pernot, and a number of their little friends.

Head and eye ache, brain fog and nervousness often comes from eye strain. Have Dr. Lowe test your eyes and he will explain it to you if they are the cause of the trouble.

Mrs. E. F. Pernot and children, accompanied by Mrs. Dahis, left yesterday for Newport, where they will spend the summer. Professor Pernot has just purchased a lot at Nye Creek and will build a neat cottage immediately.

C. D. Thompson, of Hood River, is visiting relatives in this city. He was formerly a successful teacher in Benton county, and has been engaged in this work as principal of the Hood River schools. He has resigned the latter position, and is now engaged in other business.

Misses Carrie and Josie Garrow, left for home at Marinette, Wis., Wednesday, after an extended visit with relatives in this city. A pleasant feature of their visit was a trip to the summit of Mary's Peak, Sunday, in company with Mrs. E. G. Garrow, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Metzger, Miss Mae Mangus, James Bier and Theodore Garrow.

After a retirement of ten years Jerry Henkle is to enter business again at Philomath. He will put in a large stock of merchandise in the store building which was recently occupied by Moses Bros. An addition is now being built, which will accommodate the 100 office, which at present occupies a portion of Mr. Henkle's store. The new enterprise will be a valuable addition to the business portion of our sister town.

When "old Benton" turns herself loose she does nothing by halves. During the past two years she has been modeling a hog for Sol King, who resides not far from town. A few days ago Mr. King sold the animal to Homer Lilly, and on weighing the animal it was found to tip the scales at 612 pounds. Mr. Lilly says it is the heaviest hog he ever weighed and he is speculating on what its weight will be when dressed.

The remains of Wilson Wright, who died in San Francisco, Sunday night, of appendicitis, were interred in Crystal Lake cemetery yesterday afternoon. The body arrived on the afternoon train, accompanied by the widow, sister and brother of the deceased, Joseph Wright. Funeral services were conducted in San Francisco. Many friends of the deceased, who knew him when he was a resident of this city, attended the services at the cemetery.

Rev. Allan Wilson and Professor Davis completed their work here Tuesday evening, and took their departure the following morning. Over 70 persons responded to the appeal of Rev. Wilson to become Christians. The reverend gentleman will preach in San Francisco Sunday night, and will open a revival at Santa Cruz next week. The meetings in this city are being continued by Rev. Kellens, of Eugene, assisted by Rev. Handaker.

Fishing tackle at Berry's.

Mr. J. E. Sloper has returned to Corvallis, and parties having welle to dig will do well to secure his services. He makes a specialty of rock drilling. His address is Corvallis.

The sale of Amicitia hall and four lots in Hoffman's addition to A. J. Johnson, was consummated by W. A. Wells, yesterday. The consideration was \$2000. Mr. Johnson is state bank examiner. He will take possession immediately with his family, who have been residing at Scio. A \$250 barn will be built on the property, shortly.

The board of directors is quite anxious that there shall be a large vote at the election, Monday, in district No. 9. At this time the question of bonding the district for \$8,000 will be determined. The polls will open at 1 p. m. and close at 4 p. m. The matter has been given so much publicity by the papers that everyone is familiar with the purposes of the election.

The open season for deer began Wednesday morning, and numerous Corvallis hunters have already taken advantage of the opportunity to indulge their love for roving sport. Punderson Avery, R. E. Gibson and John Fulton left, Tuesday, for the Coast range for a week's hunt, and Sheriff Burnett and Ed Smith leave today for Mary's Peak. They begin operations this evening and the slaughter will continue until Sunday.

A Eugene dispatch, under date of July 14, says that Jasper Hille, who has been getting out a lot of logs for the Corvallis sawmill from Lost creek, has just succeeded in getting to the Willamette with a part of the drive. Loggers have had a decidedly poor season for running logs on account of lack of rains in April and May. Mills have suffered on account of this, and many millions of feet of fine logs are being hung up in small streams where they can not be moved until heavy rains come in the fall.

Attorney E. E. Wilson and Alex Rennie left yesterday for Matolis, Crook county, where they will enjoy an outing of two weeks. The distance to Matolis is about 120 miles and will be made by private conveyance. Harry Withycombe, who is in Alsea, was to accompany them, and was on his way to Corvallis for that purpose when he met Dr. and Mrs. Harper and Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Allen, who were on their way into Alsea, and turned back with them. Ed Roseendorf, who has been rusticated with Harry, continued to Corvallis, arriving here Tuesday evening.

From Wells.

A new threshing company has been organized here and will be in the field as soon as the season opens. A new engine and blower have been purchased, and the outfit is a J. J. Case, and thoroughly up-to-date. The members of the company are Ernest Stellmacher, Robert Wilson, W. A. Beal and John Harris.

There was a jolly time at the Artisan hall in Wells, Saturday night. It was installation, and a number of visitors were also present. The lodge is rapidly increasing its membership, and it is growing in popularity as well.

Haying is in full blast at present, and the yield is very good hereabouts.

E. A. Blake and wife were Corvallis visitors Sunday.

We can't (?) imagine what causes Esten Carter to make such frequent visits to Corvallis. He was up Sunday, but this is only one instance.

Tony Whitbeck has gone to Southern Oregon.

The roads in this section of Benton were never so thoroughly well worked as they have been this spring and traveling over them this winter will be less of a torture than ever before in our time. Much credit is due Supervisor Blake for the job.

The saw mill on Soap Creek changed hands recently. Lyle Howe sold out to Mr. Mills, late of Oregon City, or near by that place so we are informed.

Walter Wiles' new stack barn is nearing completion. The builder is Norton Adams of Corvallis, assisted by Messrs. Kyle, Newton and Starr.

Miss Ethel Knighton, of Polk county, is working for Mrs. Robert Wilson.

Will Blake, who graduated from a Chicago dental college this spring, will remain in Chicago another year, having accepted the position of demonstrator in his alma mater. Will is a former student of O. A. C.

Alfred Williamson is not yet recovered from the pistol shot received in an accident near Ashland nearly a year ago. He is at the home of his parents here.

TOOTSY.

BOARD OF REGENTS MEETS.

Officers Were Elected and Many Important Items Were Given Consideration.

The board of regents of the Oregon Agricultural College met in regular mid-summer session at the College, Wednesday afternoon. All members were present except Regent Olwell, whose absence was due to illness.

In making the 15th annual report of the president of the board, President Weatherford reviewed the legislation establishing agricultural colleges and outlining the manner in which these institutions should be conducted. President Weatherford said that the College and Station are in a most prosperous condition, and that the public is taking a keener interest in the institution than ever before. As a result, the attendance is growing and there is greater demand for information concerning the work of the school.

A larger water supply is an imperative necessity, and a system of wells was suggested as a possible source of relief. New fences, walks, and an addition to the girls' dormitory are needed improvements, and some of the buildings are in need of paint.

The experiment station at Union is proving successful beyond all expectations. A new grass, named "Evergreen," and grown at this station, bids fair to be more useful than any other grass known. The contract has been let for a barn for the station at Union, to cost \$7,900, and to be completed this fall.

In conclusion, Pres. Weatherford said that the condition of the school deserves commendation from the board. It is expected that the enrollment will reach 650 next year.

The board acted favorably on all the recommendations made by President Gatch in his report. In the matter of adding a vocal instructor to the department of music, Regent Leedy favored the proposition because he believed that the farmer's family should have advantages and opportunities for culture as well as young people who reside in towns and cities. The board endorsed this view by authorizing President Gatch to add vocal instruction on the same terms as other instruction in this branch.

R. C. Gibbs was elected instructor in chemistry at a salary of \$1,000 per year, his engagement to begin July 1st, 1903.

President Gatch said that it is the unanimous wish of the students that athletics be continued, and he added his endorsement by saying that athletics promote college spirit, and contribute to the physical well being of the students. He recommended that Mr. Trine be elected as physical instructor at a salary of \$780, and the board complied with this recommendation. The student athletic committee will add \$220 to this sum, making Mr. Trine's salary \$1,000.

The board voted an appropriation of \$1,500 for the purchase of a pony cylinder press for the College printing office.

The finance committee reported that they found all the books of the institution well-kept, neat and correct. The probable available fund for the coming year will be \$80,502.60. After salaries, etc., are paid there will be a residue of about \$19,000 and this will be used for the improvement of buildings, grounds, plants and equipment.

In its report the building committee stated that the cost of the new agricultural hall was \$44,762.25. Furnishings for the building are among the requirements. Emphasis was laid on the pressing need for a better water supply. In the line of improvement, ten carloads of granite has been purchased and it is now being used to replace board walks.

Professor Leckenby, director of the Eastern Oregon station, reported that a fair measure of success is being attained, notwithstanding that implements at hand are crude and facilities for work are lacking. Experiments conducted at the station in growing sugar beets, mark an epoch in beet culture. Prospects are bright for a crop of hay that will yield more revenue than if the ground had been rented.

The station committee reported that 20 farmers institutes have been held during the year, and Director Withycombe's report supplied the information that the attendance at these meetings numbered 3,750. The committee called the attention of the board to the importance of the fruit canning industry in this state, and said that its promotion

should be encouraged by the station.

A communication from Prof. Cordley spoke of the necessity of making provision for a collection of specimens for the College museum. He advised the purchase of a collection of birds now the property of A. R. Woodcock.

A letter was read from the secretary of the board of McMinnville College, suggesting that committees from the various schools in the state meet to consider the abolishment of match games of football. The idea was of such a novel character that it was placed on file for mature consideration.

Action by the board to promote college spirit on the part of graduates, was advised by President E. E. Wilson, of the alumni. He asked that the name of each alumnus in the state be placed on the mailing list, and that bulletins and other college literature be sent to him, that he may feel that he is still remembered by his alma mater. The suggestion was accepted.

The request of Miss Chamberlain for leave of absence for the coming year was granted. A committee consisting of Presidents Weatherford and Gatch and a member of the board will select a substitute to serve during her absence. Professor Schmidt, of Albany College, will fill the vacancy.

Vice-President Clark, of the Y. M. C. A. of the College, appeared before the board and asked that an appropriation of \$150 be voted to apply on the salary of a secretary for the association. Mr. Clark pointed out the good that is being accomplished for the school by the association, and the assistance it is rendering students in material and spiritual ways. New students are met at the trains, supplied with general information and provided employment; the sick are visited and needy supplied with care and medicine. The College has grown beyond the capacity of association to meet these requirements. Other schools employ a secretary to give attention to this work. A man can be secured for the purpose here for a salary of \$300, and the association is prepared to meet half of this sum. The members of the board manifested an earnest desire to assist the enterprise in some manner, but the appropriation of money for purposes of this nature is prohibited by laws governing the action of the board. It was necessary for this reason to deny the petition.

The bill of a Portland attorney for the sum of \$100 for drawing the brief from which Attorney-General Crawford rendered his opinion concerning the rights of the board with regard to expending funds appropriated by the legislature, was allowed; Captain Apperson voting "no."

E. C. Phelps, of Heppner, presented his application for the position of College printer, but there is no vacancy at present. Assistant Professors Kent and Fulton were promoted to be associate professors.

Upon the recommendation of President Gatch, the degree of Master of Science was conferred upon Professor Pernot. The officers of the board were re-elected, upon motion of Governor Chamberlain.

The executive committee was re-elected, and Regent Church will co-operate in the management of the affairs of the station at Union.

The finance, college and station committees were reappointed. An athletic committee, composed of three members of the board, was appointed to act with a like committee representing the student body. The object is to stimulate athletic sports and encourage physical culture.

Salaries were increased as follows: Thos. H. Crawford, to \$1,500; F. E. Edwards, to \$900; E. C. Hayward, to \$1080; M. C. Phillips, to \$960; F. D. McLouth, to \$900; Miss Holgate, to \$540; W. T. Shaw, to \$1080.

The salary of the secretary of the board was reduced, at his request, from \$600 to \$400 per year. A resolution was adopted making Professor Lake Station Horticulturist, and in the future he will devote one-half of his time to class work.

Regent Keady pointed out that it had been the practice to make no mention of the college at institutes held under the auspices of the station. Dr. True has laid stress on the fact that the station is not a separate institution, but rather a department of the College, and the college board, acting on the suggestion of Mr. Keady, passed a resolution pro-

viding for the preparation of a folder containing a synopsis of the work of the College, for distribution at station institutes. The board wishes to impress the public with the importance of the literary work of the school. In this connection, Regent Church stated that in the early days of the new college, farmers in his section would not send their children to this school, "because they could teach them farming at home." When they learned, however, that the institution offered a multitude of other advantages they were eager to send their children. Here is evidence of the necessity of having branches that will attract students. When they enroll they are encouraged to take up the course in Agriculture, and the result is that the per centage of students taking this course is as great as that in any agricultural college in the country. Regent Killen said that everything considered, Oregon is doing as much or more for agriculture than any other state.

The matter of consolidating the power house and heating plant was discussed. It is believed that \$1,000 per year can be saved by the operation. Should this be done, the building now used as a power house will be occupied by the department of mines and mining and Professor Fulton will be put in charge. This matter together with the question of water supply was referred to the committee on buildings and grounds, with power to act.

Regent Irvine made a plea for assistance for the cadet band. He said that the least that could be done would be to provide an instructor. Ruthyn Turney, of the department of music, was elected conductor at a salary of \$12 per month.

This being Governor Chamberlain's first official meeting with the board, he was invited to make some remarks. In the course of a sensible short talk, Governor Chamberlain spoke of the farms connected with the state institutions at Salem, and the problems that presented themselves in connection with the cultivation and management of these properties. He invited members of the station and faculty to visit them and make suggestions relative to crops and improvement of conditions generally.

Regent Ackerman would like to have members of the faculty attend and take part in teachers' institutes. He extended an invitation to the professors to take part on programs and make helpful suggestions.

The board adjourned at 6:30 p. m., and upon invitation of Mr. Whiteside repaired to Caulthorn Hall where the members were entertained at supper.

Additional Local.

Best grade of gasoline, 30 cents per gallon at Berry's.

Steislaw brothers, of Salem, were in Corvallis and vicinity, Monday, purchasing cattle. While the supply is sufficient in Marion county to meet the local demand, these gentlemen have bought the cattle of Mrs. Arch Johnson for years, and their visit here this week was principally to make this purchase.

Special tickets will be sold over the S. P. to Portland and return during the Woodmen's carnival in that city, July 14 to 25 inclusive. A rate of one and one-third fare will be made for the round trip. Date of sale, July 14th and 22nd. Tickets sold on July 14th will be limited to July 19th, and those sold on July 22nd will be limited to the 26th.

Popular Sunday Excursions.

In order to meet the wants of the traveling public and give practically daily service to the beach during the summer season, the Corvallis & Eastern Railroad will run an excursion train from Albany, Corvallis and all points west to Newport every Sunday, commencing Sunday, July 12th, leaving Albany at 7:00 a. m. and Corvallis at 7:30 a. m., returning leave Newport at 5:30 p. m., arriving in Albany at 10:30 p. m. Three day and season tickets will be good going and returning on these trains. This should prove popular with the traveling public and a liberal patronage will be the best appreciation.

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