

LOCAL LORE.

Recent Happenings in Corvallis and Vicinity.

David Blake, of Soap Creek, was in the city Tuesday.

Anton Mystrick was in the city from Philomath Tuesday.

Thomas Hayes was in the city from Blodgett on Tuesday.

Dr. W. S. Hamilton, of Roseburg is registered at the Corvallis.

The State examinations for the 8th grade will be held this week.

F. M. Seits, of Fisher, registered at the Occidental on Wednesday.

W. V. Hutchens and son of Philomath were in the city Tuesday.

L. A. Hecker, of Soap Creek, was doing business in the city Wednesday.

N. E. Newton was among those that came over from Philomath Wednesday.

The M. W. A. team will give an excursion to Salem and return Sunday, May 22. Round trip \$1.00

Mrs. N. B. Baldwin and Miss Faith Keezel were among the arrivals from Philomath yesterday.

A marriage license was issued to Mr. J. Vernon and Mrs. L. P. Tom both of Alsea, under the date of May 10.

The Oregon program at the public school last week was a grand success. About 90 visitors were present.

A party of ten chittim peelers sent out by Mr. Richards of Portland stopped at the Farmers Hotel on their way to Alsea.

Fish Commissioner H. G. Van Dusen, of Astoria was at the Corvallis Wednesday. He has just returned from Newport and vicinity.

Miss Crawford of the Elocution Dept. of the O. A. C. and Mrs. Green will give a joint entertainment sometime during Commencement week.

Two young men of Portland have just returned from Alsea and report that the chittim does not peel good especially in the tops of the trees where the sap has not thoroughly penetrated.

The sheep shearing season is now on and promises to furnish employment to a large number of men. The fleeces are unusually fine and will net the owners a fine sum of money. Wool is worth about 17 cents.

Mr. J. M. Lambley, from Illinois has purchased the residence of G. W. Smith, on Fourth Street, near Madison. Mr. Lambley will make his home in this county and is on the look out for a business opening.

The Coryallis Steam Laundry is thoroughly equipped for first-class work. They will not only call for and deliver your orders, but guarantee satisfaction. Special rates on family washing. Phone 374.

Postmaster Bancroft, of Portland is to be investigated by the officials of the P. O. Dept. for violations of the regulations of the Department. It looks very probable that Bancroft will be removed, and it is currently reported that this course will be very satisfactory to a majority of the people with whom he is brought in business contact.

D. E. Swank, the noted Temperance Lecturer, of Astoria, Oregon will visit Corvallis on next Sunday and speak at the Barrett Lyceum at 3 o'clock. His subject will be Initiative Option and Temperance. All temperance people of the city are invited to be present.

Thos. Van Horn shot a mad dog yesterday about two miles west of town. The canine was a stray one of large size, with long, black ears. Owner is not known. The dog took refuge in Eli King's barn, out near the Sol King's place, and Mr. Aldrich and others pronounced him mad, and Mr. Van Horn was asked to shoot him. This prompt action is much to be commended.

Mrs. T. J. Denman has rented her house in this city, and in company with her daughter Anna will leave for the East soon. They propose spending some time at the Louisiana Exposition, St. Louis, after that they will visit at her old home in Pennsylvania. Mrs. Denman's health has been poor for some time and she is in hope that the Eastern trip will be beneficial.

Mr. Alfred Lehrenkraus, graduate of Hohenheim Agricultural College, Germany is registered at the Corvallis. He is here as the representative of the above named college to study agricultural conditions in the United States and Canada with a view to the improvement of the farming class in Germany. He has travelled through most of the states and expresses himself as being well pleased with our country and its marvelous resources. He says Oregon has the finest timber in the world.

W. M. Howell, who lives a few miles beyond Bellfountain, was in Corvallis Tuesday and while here registered.

Walter Hamilton, brother of Judge Hamilton passed through the city yesterday on his way from Roseburg to Newport.

Subject at the Congregational Church Sunday, "College Athletics," or "Was Dr. Driver Right?" by Edw. F. Green, pastor.

Subject at the Baptist church Sunday morning "A Nation's True Exaltation," evening, "Grace and Glory." A hearty invitation to all.

The real estate firm of Ambler & Watters of Philomath are now located in the Hotel Corvallis. The firm will continue to do business at the old stand.

Dr. and Mrs. Pernot and Miss Bertha Davis left Wednesday for St. Louis and other Eastern points. Dr. Pernot will take a four months post-graduate course in a prominent Chicago medical school.

The last few days of warm weather have changed crop conditions to a more hopeful outlook. The early cherries have not been injured to any great extent, and the prune crop will be as large as usual.

At the Church of Christ next Sunday evening the pastor will speak upon the subject, "The Sinless Christ." Social and communion service at 11 a. m. conducted by the officers of the church.

Jess Brown, of Inavale, has entered his trotting stallion "Pathmark in the Northwest racing circuit. He will be entered at Yakima, Seattle, Walla Walla, Salem, and other points. "Pathmark" is a fine horse and will no doubt make a creditable record in these events.

The common council is to be commended on its action regarding Clarence Hyland. He is a good workman and comes of a good family but is possessed of a far too social nature. He is yet young and there is a good chance of his making a man of himself if his companions and the saloonkeeper leave him alone.

A pleasant affair came off at the last meeting of Ferguson Chapter, R. A. M. in Masonic Hall on Wednesday evening. The occasion was the presentation of a set of Officers Jewels, by Oregon Council, R. & S. M. The presentation was made by Grand Master Chipman in a neat and well considered speech and received by Comp J. B. Irvine. Speeches were also made by J. F. Yates, E. R. Bryson, Prof. Crawford and others. After the ceremonies the members adjourned to the supper room, where a tempting feast made a fitting ending to an enjoyable evening.

The City Council, at its regular meeting this week, passed the vote to pay one-half of a monument and the funeral expenses of James Dunn, who lost his life in the unfortunate affair of April 24. This is as it should be. But it is also said that the same Council, stopped the salary of officer Osborn, who was shot the same evening by the same party and who has been confined to his bed ever since. This may be economy, but it is certainly a stain on the good name of the city. David M. Osborn was shot while in the discharge of his duty. It is right and just not only that his pay shall continue during his illness but that the expenses incurred, during his illness should be paid by the City Council. Gentleman of the City Council what will you do about it?

The parade of the Norris & Rowe new and greater shows this season promises to be an event of more than ordinary interest. The Shows have grown so enormously that the army of acrobats, tumblers, clowns, gymnasts, athletes, equilibrist and riders, combined with the congress of marvelously trained animals, makes almost a city in itself under the enormous new tents which houses this really wonderful organization known as the New Norris & Rowe Greater Shows. The costumes for this parade were made especially for it and we are assured that no other attraction has ever gone to so great an expense in this matter, however it is simply a matter of personal pride with Norris & Rowe to have the best and most expensive street display ever exhibited in this section. Dozens of new wagons—spic, span, new, and in all the brilliancy of red and gold paint; dozens of rare and wild beasts, elephants, tigers, lions, tapers, etc. Hundred of educated ponies and horses in all the glory of gay trappings, make a veritable feast of color for the eye and a spectacular parade which will be long remembered as one of the best features of the modern big circus. Norris & Rowe will exhibit here Friday, May 20th.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Kline have returned Home. They left their daughter in New York much improved in health.

Concert Saturday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, on Second st., by the Faust Theatre Company's Band.

THE TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

Annual Gathering of the Teachers of Benton County.

One of the most important educational features of the year in this county, is the annual teachers institute, which is to be held in this city next week, commencing Wednesday, May 18, and continuing till Saturday, May 21.

The instructors on this occasion will be State School Supt. J. H. Ackerman, of Salem; Prof. B. F. Mulkey, of the Ashland Normal School; Prof. L. R. Traver, city superintendent of the Salem schools.

The law requires an attendance of 16 hours for every teacher, not counting the evening sessions, and it is necessary to be punctual at all school sessions as roll call may be had at any time.

An elegant program has been issued by the County Superintendent, and copies mailed to every teacher in the county. Bring your program with you to the session.

Two sessions will be held every day, except Saturday, which will be a school officers' convention, and be held in the public school building.

The day sessions will be strictly for work, while the evening sessions will be devoted to entertainment.

Wednesday evening at the court house, the addresses will be made and the Corvallis band will furnish excellent music. Thursday evening will be devoted to a grand concert of vocal and instrumental music under the direction of Prof. Turney. The full program will be published in next Tuesday's paper. It is intended to make this evening memorable for music lovers, and there is no doubt that the Opera House will be crowded to its fullest capacity. For giving pleasure that is intellectual and educational, it will parallel anything that has been given in the city.

Friday evening will be an intellectual treat. Geo. L. Paul will furnish the entertainment and the O. A. C. the music. This will be something that should not be missed.

The entire program of the institute will be under the supervision of County School Superintendent Geo. W. Denman, which is sufficient guarantee that every promise will be carried out. The public are most cordially invited to both the day and evening sessions, and everything will be done to make the occasion one of pleasure and profit to every visitor.

Goethe's Faust.

It is saying a good deal to allege that Goethe's Faust stands ahead of any of Shakespeare's plays, and yet this is exactly the position accorded it by the most eminent literary critics. It is justly entitled to be called the greatest of all dramas.

It is a play that depicts a human soul tormented by all that affects mankind; shaken by all that disturbs it and made happy by all that it desires. Its plot is simple but character is sketched in every line; each line is made to stand for eternity and the poem has entered as a whole into the mind and thought of modern Germany.

Because of its simplicity it is well adapted to stage production, not requiring the extraordinary talent necessary to properly represent a Shakespearean drama, but it is one that admits of the use of extravagant scenery and scenic effects.

It will be presented for the first time in Corvallis on Saturday evening at the Opera House by the Palmer Company, who carry their own special scenery for the entire four acts, and appliances for producing the light effects necessary to the production.

The Company carry their own band and orchestra and will give a concert on Main street at 3 p. m. Tickets on sale at Graham & Wortham's. Popular prices.

Eggs 17 cents.

Mohair 32 1/2 cents.

Wool 16 and 17 cents.

Butter 10 and 15 cents per pound

Scott King, merchant from Wren was transacting business in the city yesterday.

THE STATE GRANGE.

Annual Meeting of the Patrons of Husbandry in Corvallis.

The next annual meeting of the State Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry, will be held in the Agricultural Hall, at the College, commencing Tuesday May 24, and continuing till Friday May 27. This will be one of the most important meetings of this body that has been held for years. The National Grange meets this year at Portland, and some of the delegates will be in attendance at this meeting. E. P. Wolcott, Master of the State Grange, of Kentucky, will assist our own State Master during the session.

The meeting will be open on Tuesday at 10 o'clock, and on Tuesday evening a banquet will be served at the College, on the reception tendered by the Benton County Granges to the State Delegates.

A great deal of business of much practical importance is booked for attention during the session.

On Thursday evening the installation of officers will take place, and a banquet known as "Flora's Feast" will be held.

The City Council at its last meeting, appointed a committee, with full power to act, to arrange for the decoration of business houses, and a general and generous reception on the part of citizens to the visiting delegates.

We append a list of the officers and committees of the grand body.

OFFICERS.

Master, B F Leedy, Tigardville; Lecturer, A T Buxton, Forest Grove; Treasurer, H H Hirschberg, Independence; Secretary, Mary S Howard, Mulipo; Executive Committee, B G Leedy, Tigardville; G R Stephenson, Portland; Thos Paulsen, Portland; Legislative Committee, B G Leedy, Tigardville; J Voorhees, Woodburn; W M Hilleary, Turner.

COMMITTEES.

FINANCE: M J Butler, Chairman, Goble, A L Waldron, Eugene Thorp, Mrs L J Borland, Mrs Ruby Boyd.

CREDENTIALS: F M Smith, Chairman, Monmouth; Natt Harrison, Nehalem; Mrs Mary S Howard, Mrs Minerva S Glen, Mrs Sarah E Bates.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: W H Boyd, Chairman, Beaverton; I H Copeland, Mrs Clara H Waldo, Mrs A B Flint.

SCHOOLS: Mrs Ida A Morrison.

LEGISLATION: J P West, Chairman, Scappoose; J B Waldo, Macleay; J Atkinson, Mrs M E Tharp, Mrs Electa B Parker, Albany.

BY-LAWS: C C Borland, Chairman, Oswego; M J Butler, J Clem, Mrs Ida Thorp, Gresham; Mrs Ada Morrison.

EDUCATION: I H Copeland, Chairman, Houlton; M M Palmer, Mrs A B Flint, Mrs W F Gekeler, Mrs Eva M West.

CO OPERATION: Edward G Palmer, Chairman, Ajax; Dan Catlow, J C Sprague, Oregon City; Mrs Mary M Burns, Rainier; Mrs S J Butler.

TRANSPORTATION: J Atkinson, Chairman, Lorane; Edward G Palmer, M Parker, Mrs Anna Atkinson, Mrs Mary L Trask, Lyons.

AGRICULTURE: J B Trask, Chairman, Lyons; Edwin Bates, Currinville; J O Schumacher, Mrs S N Warfield, Alsea; Mrs Agnes Palmer.

RESOLUTIONS: Eugene Thorp, Chairman, Gresham; A F Davis, Milwaukie; J O Schumacher, Mrs Anna L Copeland, Mrs Electa B Palmer.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM: A L Waldron, Chairman, Oregon City; S A Tharp, Bellfountain; P E Smith, Mrs Ruby Boyd, Mrs Hettie Sprague, Oregon city.

APPEALS: Price Robinson, Chairman, Myrtle Point; R P Burns, W C Hembree, Mrs Anna Atkinson, Mrs M E Tharp.

AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE: Mrs Clara Waldo, Chairman, Macleay; Mrs Mary A Waldron, A B Flint, Schools, W P Gekeler, W H Boyd.

ASSESSMENT AND TAXATION: H M Palmer, Chairman, Albany; Wm Grasswell, J B Waldo, Mrs L B Robinson, Myrtle Point; Mrs Hettie Sprague.

GOOD ROADS: Dan Catlow, Chairman, Turner; R P Burns, Rainier; A B Flint, Mrs Sarah E Bates, Mrs Anna Grasswell.

DORMANT GRANGES: J Clem, Chairman, Freewater; J P West, Edwin Bates, Mrs L J Borland, Mrs Minnie Schumacher.

PURE FOOD: Wm Grasswell, Chairman, Gresham; Matt Morrison, J B Trask, Mrs Melissa Catlow, Mrs Minerva J Clem.

DIVISION OF LABOR: S H Warfield, Chairman, Alsea; W C Hembree, McMinnville; A F Davis, Mrs Ida Thorp, Mrs L R Robinson.

WOMAN'S WORK: Mrs May E Waldron, Chairman, Oregon City; Mrs Anna L Copeland, Houlton; Mrs Melissa Catlow, Turner; Mrs Agnes Palmer, Ajax; Mrs Mary C Parker, Shedd; Mrs S J Butler, Goble; Mrs E F Gekeler, LaGrande; Mrs Ida Morrison, Nehalem, Mrs Eva M West, Shappose.

Wheat 73 cents.

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