

INDUSTRIAL CONDITIONS.

The industrial conditions of the United States at the present time are the results of the energy and courage of her people, and thorough demonstration what grand results can be accomplished in a republican form of government administered under the splendor and beneficent principles of the Republican party. Compare the conditions of this country today with its affairs when the Republican party came into power. During the last forty years her people have learned to produce and manufacture everything necessary for man, have regained the home market from the hands of Europe, and sent their products to all parts of the world, have become a lending nation instead of borrowers from foreign countries, have paid back the two billion one hundred and forty million balance of trade against them in 1876, the net balance of trade in favor of the United States now being over three billion, five hundred and eighty-four million, and increasing at the rate of four hundred millions per annum, resulting in an increase of the wealth of the country five fold, and so that labor commands much larger wages and a greater share of the profits of industry than prevails in any other part of the world. During the progress of this great evolution in the industrial and commercial affairs of our common country and necessarily as a means leading to these grand results, individual effort has given away to combined effort, the burden of such enormously large undertakings was too great for individuals to undertake and instead great corporations, trade unions and all kinds of combinations of capital and labor were formed, resulting in a net work of railroads running all over the country and plentifully supplied with the largest factories in the world, all owned by so many corporations. At first these various corporations vied with each other in healthy competition to excel in gaining the most trade. Later came a disposition among them to form combinations so as to limit their product, combine to control prices and prevent competition in restraint of trade. In 1890 a Republican Congress passed the Anti-Trust Law, "to protect trade and commerce against unlawful restraints and monopolies." Soon afterwards, however, the country placed President Cleveland in charge of the nation's affairs, and his Attorney-General, Mr. Olney, gave it his opinion that the Anti-Trust Law was unconstitutional and therefore could not be enforced. Later, however, Republican presidents were elected and several suits were brought in the United States Courts which sustained the Anti-Trust Law. In 1898 the Supreme Court held illegal and void the Joint Traffic Agreement entered into by 31 railroads fixing rates and fares between Chicago and the Atlantic Coast. In 1899 the United States Supreme Court also held void an agreement made by six corporations on the price and sale of cast iron pipes and agreeing not to bid against each other in 36 states and territories. The court also held void in 1899 a combination of 14 coal companies wherein they agreed not to sell coal for less than the specified price. In 1902 the court held void the "Beef Trust" composed of the principal buyers of live stock and shippers of dressed meats wherein they agreed not to bid against each other and in 1902 the court dissolved the Federal Salt Trust which for a long time had doubled and trebled the price of salt. In 1904 the court dissolved

and held void a combination between the Northern Securities Company, the Great Northern Railway Company and the Northern Pacific Railway Company, a combination to control the operations of several railroad companies under one management. There will be no trouble in restraining and properly regulating the great corporations and gigantic trusts as long as the Republican party guides the affairs of the nation. In the last named case involving the railroad trust, the several democratic judges of the Supreme Court sustained the trust while the Republican members of the court being in majority made up the decision which held the trust void, thereby protecting the people's interest. It is along Republican lines that we must look for relief upon all great questions in favor of the people.

Farmers' Short Course.

Following is the topics that are to be studied and discussed at the Farmers' Short Course, which begins at the OAC next Monday. It is hoped that a large number of farmers will attend this course, as it is free for all. A small deposit for breakage of glassware, etc., in the laboratory will be required, but this will be refunded if there is no breakage. It is expected that a number from a distance will be in attendance:

MONDAY, JANUARY 9.

The Soil, Dr. Withycombe. Plants: Their Importance on the Farm, Prof. Lake. Insects and Fungi; What are they? Prof. Cordley. Bacterial Diseases of Domestic Animals, Prof. Pernot. History of Milk Tests, Prof. Kent. Chemical Elements, Prof. A. L. Knisely.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10.

Forage Plants, Dr. Withycombe. The Relation of Insects to our Welfare, Prof. Cordley. Propagation of Stocks for Grafting, Prof. Coote. Bacterial Diseases of Domestic Animals, Prof. Pernot. Operation of Babcock Test, Prof. Kent. Properties of Chemical Elements, Prof. Knisely.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11.

Rotation of Crops, Dr. Withycombe. The Codlin Moth, Prof. Cordley. Propagation by Grafting, Prof. Coote. Bacterial Diseases of Domestic Animals, Prof. Pernot. Dairy Herd Records, Prof. Kent. Properties of Chemical Elements, Prof. Knisely.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12.

Cereal Crops, Dr. Withycombe. Apple Scab and Apple Tree Anthracnose, Prof. Cordley. Propagation by Budding, Prof. Coote. Bacteria in its Relation to Dairying, Prof. Pernot. Hand Separator Problems, Prof. Kent. Elements of Plant Food, Prof. Knisely.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13.

Agricultural Economics, Dr. Withycombe. Plants: Their Structure and Work, Prof. Lake. Plant Lice, Prof. Cordley. Bacteria in its Relation to Dairying, Prof. Pernot. Butter-making Problems, Prof. Kent. Farm Manures, Prof. Knisely.

New Freight Rates.

Following are the new freight rates which were put into effect January 1, on the C. & E. R. R. They show an appreciable reduction from the rates of last year. The following are the rates per hundred weight, according to the class of freight.

Philomath.....	10	9	8	8	8	8
Wenatchee.....	13	13	11	10	9	9
Harris.....	18	16	14	12	11	10
Blodgett.....	18	16	14	12	11	10

Charles Shenefield has been appointed manager of the Bell telephone company in this city. We congratulate Charley as well as the company.

CORRESPONDENTS' CORNER.

Oak Grove Chips.

The basket social held at Palestine church, Friday evening was well attended.

Emmett Williamson has been laid up with la grippe for a few days.

John Reese is circulating a petition asking the county court to cut off a portion of road district No. 5, and create a new road district.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Coughill, of Albany, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Williamson, Tuesday, returning home on Wednesday.

Major Dodson was visiting friends here during the week. He left for Albany Saturday where he will visit until time to return to his work at the OAC.

David Morris and family, of Turner, Marion county, were visitors at the home of her mother, Mrs. Lewis Wentz, this week.

A party consisting of E. Glen, Dillard Price and Thomas Jones started for a few days' outing in the Coast Range.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tarpley died Tuesday evening with pneumonia and was interred in the Albany cemetery Wednesday.

Charles Boudy returned home from Pullman, Wash., where he spent the holidays visiting relatives.

Prof. Leatherman returned from Gilliam county the latter part of the week where he had been looking after his farm.

There was a very enthusiastic road meeting held at the Oak Grove school house Saturday at 1 p. m. The object of the meeting was to vote a 3-mill tax to be applied on road work in this district. The subject was discussed pro and con and some very good argument was produced on both sides of the question. Finally the vote was taken and resulted in 19 against and 10 in favor of the tax. Clyde Williams has returned to Corvallis to take up his studies at OAC.

Bellfountain.

Coyotes are making nightly raids among the flocks of sheep that have not been shipped away. Great effort is being made to run them down but as yet they have been too wary.

Justin Gallagher, of Walla Walla, Wash., has been visiting his people here for a few days. He is a grandson of J. E. Edwards, and it is 25 years since he left here.

Born, to the wife of Ernest Buchanan, at home of her father, T. Bradley, on New Year's Day, a daughter.

Johnnie Minton left Tuesday for Philomath where he will attend school.

There is complaint of colds, especially among children, but no cases of severe sickness has been reported.

Miss Inez Williams, who has been attending OAC, is at home and will not return for the present.

Miss Bertha Edwards returned last Monday to the Summit where she is teaching school.

The school at this place will not reopen until the 9th inst, as two weeks' vacation was agreed upon by the teachers and board.

A protracted meeting is being conducted this week by Rev. Beery, of the Christian church.

Notwithstanding the heavy rains of last week the waters have not been very high. Stock of all kinds looks well, and grass and crops are making a fine growth. Plows are already at work for spring crops.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the members of the Womans' Christian Temperance Union, of Corvallis, Oregon, will be held in the parlor of the Union, in its building on lot 8, block 3, Original Town Corvallis, Benton county, Oregon, on Thursday, January 19, 1905, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of authorizing the sale of the building of said Womans' Christian Temperance Union, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

All members of the Womans' Christian Union, will please take notice of said meeting. As large attendance as possible is desired.

By order of Executive Committee. P. O. WILSON, President.

Greatly in Demand.

Nothing is more in demand than a medicine which meets modern requirements for a blood and system cleanser, such as Dr. King's New Life Pills. They are just what you need to cure stomach and liver troubles. Try them. At Allen & Woodward's drug store, 25c., guaranteed.

A. H. Limbocher arrived yesterday from St. Louis for an indefinite visit with his brother, A. J. Limbocher in this city. He is very much surprised at the excellent country and climate of Oregon and may remain.

Interred Tuesday.

At the I. O. O. F. cemetery Tuesday at 2 p. m. was interred the body of Harley A. Belknap, which was brought from San Jose, Calif., for burial at Salem.

Mr. Belknap was an Oregon pioneer of 1848, settling in Benton county, in the old Belknap settlement, near Monroe. He resided in Salem from 1864-7 for the purpose of sending his children to the Willamette University, and of working at his trade. He erected several of the early important residences and assisted in the building of the present university building, while his children attended the old Oregon Institute. He was superintendent of the First Methodist Sunday School, under the pastorate of Dr. J. O. Bythe, when the old wooden building stood where the brick structure now stands. He was born in Big Lick county, Ohio, October 5, 1832, and died in San Jose, Calif., December 29, 1904. He lived a long, honorable and useful life, and was held in high esteem by all who knew him.

His wife, Mrs. Thirsa Belknap still survives him. His living children are Dr. H. P. Belknap, of Prineville, Or., H. T. Belknap, Los Gatos, Calif., Sylvester I. Belknap, Dr. V. C. Belknap, and Ebert A. Belknap, all of Prairie City, Or., and Grace Belknap, of San Jose, Calif. Among those who came to be present at the burial were Webster C. Belknap, Edward H. Belknap, Mrs. Addie Kyle, and Clark Belknap, all of Monroe, Or. The body was accompanied to Salem by H. T. Belknap, who was the guest of Prof. W. C. Hawley, his cousin, while in that city.

A Double Wedding.

A very pretty double wedding was solemnized at Woodlawn on Wednesday evening, December 28, when Mr. Lloyd Millhollen, of Ione, Or., and Miss Eliza McGillivray, and Mr. A. E. McGillivray and Miss Ora G. Melton, were married in the presence of immediate relatives and a few intimate friends. Rev. Albyn Esson performed the ceremony.

Both Mr. Millhollen and Mr. McGillivray are graduates in pharmacy from the State Agricultural College at Corvallis, graduating in the same class. Miss McGillivray was also a student at Corvallis. Miss Melton is the only daughter of J. A. Melton, and has been the faithful organist of the Rodney Avenue Christian church for some time. She has also held positions of trust in the Sunday school and in the Young People's society and during the past year has served as treasurer of the State Endeavor Association of the Christian church.

New Year's Reception.

A New Year's reception was given in the Congregational church, Wednesday evening by Rev. and Mrs. Green to the older members of the congregation and friends. The evening was spent very pleasantly by the large number of guests. A short program was introduced by Prof. Berchtold, consisting of two readings, very excellently given by Miss Helen Crawford of OAC, and a duet by Messrs Knapp and Briggs.

Refreshments were served and were followed by toasts, Prof. Cordley acting as toast master. Toasts were given by Prof. J. B. Horner, Prof. Ackerman, State Supt. of Public Instruction and Rev. Bush of the Presbyterian church. The evening was enjoyed by everyone. Mr. and Mrs. Green were assisted by Mesdames Martha Burnett, Thos. Bell, Fred Clark, Thos. Whitehorn, Charles Colbert, A. B. Cordley, Frank Wood, Misses Margaret Fowells, Edna Allen, Messrs Frank Wood and Donald Hill.

W. O. W.

MARYS PEAK CAMP, No. 126, W. O. W., meets second and Fourth Fridays, in Woodmen Hall. G. W. Fuller, C. O. J. L. Underwood, Clerk.

...ANNUAL SALE...

Our Great Annual Reduction Sale will begin THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29th. Every article in stock will be sold at Sweeping Reductions, except W. L. Douglas shoes. Sale will last 30 days. Remember, our reductions are boni fide.



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Leading hotel in Corvallis. Newly furnished with modern conveniences. Rates: \$1, \$1.25, \$2 per day.

**HEADQUARTERS FOR COMMERCIAL MEN.**

**Notice of Publication.**  
United States Land Office.  
Oregon City, Or., December 12, 1904.  
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Benton county, at Corvallis, Oregon, on January 23, 1905, viz:

JAMES E. WEST,  
H. E. No 12285, of the S 1/2 SW 1/4, NE 1/4 SW 1/4, NW 1/4, Sec 24, T 10 S, R 7 W.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Howard L. Bush, By Frazitt, John Bottger, Wallace Frantz, all of Hosking, Or.  
GEO. W. BEEZ, Receiver.

**Notice to Creditors.**  
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the county court of the state of Oregon, for the county of Benton, administrator of the estate of B. B. Barnes, deceased, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same properly verified, as by law required, at the office of J. F. Yates within six months from the date hereof.  
Dated, December 24, 1904.  
FOREST R. BARNES,  
Adm'r of the Estate of B. B. Barnes, Dec'd.

**Notice of Final Settlement.**  
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed her final account as executrix of the Last Will and Testament of Gustav Hodes, deceased, in the county court of Benton county, Oregon, and Hon. Virgil E. Watters, judge, has set the 7th day of January, 1905, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. as the time, and the County Court Room, Court House, Corvallis, as the place for hearing objections, if any there be, to said report.  
MINNIE L. DENMAN,  
Executrix Last Will and Testament Gustav Hodes, Deceased.  
Dated December 7, 1904.

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For Infants and Children.  
The Kind You Have Always Bought  
Bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Fletcher*

**Bids for Wood for O. A. C.**  
For specifications for bids to furnish the Oregon Agricultural College with wood for the College year beginning July 1, 1905, apply to F. H. Crawford, Clerk and Purchasing Agent.  
Corvallis, Oregon, Dec. 12, 1904.

53,053 **FANION** 34,473  
Imported Black Percheron will be in Corvallis, for service, after January 1. For further information address, T. K. FAWCETT, Bellfountain, Or.

**Corvallis & Eastern Railroad**

**TIME CARD.**

No. 2—For Yaquina:  
Leaves Albany..... 12:45 p. m.  
Leaves Corvallis..... 1:48 p. m.  
Arrives Yaquina..... 6:20 p. m.

No. 1—Returning:  
Leaves Yaquina..... 6:45 a. m.  
Leaves Corvallis..... 11:30 a. m.  
Arrives Albany..... 12:15 p. m.

No. 3—For Albany-Detroit:  
Leaves Corvallis..... 6:00 a. m.  
Arrives Albany..... 6:40 a. m.  
Leaves Albany for Detroit 7:30 a. m.  
Arrives Detroit..... 12:02 p. m.

No. 4—From Detroit:  
Leaves Detroit..... 12:35 p. m.  
Arrives Albany..... 5:15 p. m.  
Lv Albany for Corvallis..... 7:15 p. m.  
Arrives Corvallis..... 7:55 p. m.

Train No. 1 arrives in Albany in time to connect with the S. P. south bound train, as well as giving two or three hours in Albany before departure of S. P. north bound train.

Train No. 2 connects with the S. P. trains at Corvallis and Albany giving direct service to Newport and adjacent beaches.

Train 3 for Detroit via Albany leaves Corvallis at 6 a. m. and connects with the S. P. Albany-Portland local train leaving Albany at 7 a. m. Train No. 3 leaves Albany for Detroit at 7:30 a. m. arriving there at noon, giving ample time to reach the Breitenbush hot springs the same day.

Train No 4 connects at Albany with the Portland Albany local, which arrives here at 7:10, and runs to Corvallis leaving Albany at 7:15 and arriving in Corvallis at 7:55 p. m.

For further information apply to  
EDWIN STONE,  
H. H. CRONIN, Agent, Corvallis.  
THOS. COCKRELL, Agent Albany.