

### STILL HAS FAITH.

L. L. Brooks, of This County, Again Gives His Experience on a Benton Farm.

L. L. Brooks, who resides on a farm a few miles north of this city, contributed quite a letter to the Pacific Homestead of February 2. Mr. Brooks says that for some time he has pondered over the matter of how to make money on a valley farm and we quote his deductions as given in the Homestead, as follows:

As the Homestead asks for the experience of people in success and failure, I can give a little of mine. The two first years I did not make a success of farming; as farming is so much different it has to be learned over. Now the outlook for the future is encouraging. I have come to the conclusion that the Willamette valley farmer can make the most out of vetch, alfalfa, cows and hogs; these four handled right there can be considerable made from them. I mean the valley farmer. I don't mean those living out in the foothills or mountains where there are mountain pastures and plenty of out range.

First.—If you have an old worn-out wheat farm sow it vetch; it will pay if seed is 5 cents a pound. It will grow a good profitable crop on this old ground.

Second.—Sow a 25-acre hog pasture to alfalfa; put it in right; use land plaster and inoculated alfalfa dirt. The first year do not pasture, but cut it every three weeks all summer. I might say, to prepare the ground before sowing manure the ground heavy, then plow very deep, then pulverize down very fine and sow about May 1st.

Third.—Get a few of the very best milch cows, and keep no worthless cows that don't pay their board. The number of cows should depend on the size of farm and the help you have.

Fourth.—Get from three to 10 of the very best Poland China brood sows; the number should be counted by the feed you have and the size of pasture. It takes time to get ready to raise hogs. You must have good fences, shed, and the alfalfa pasture to make them pay. Then cut the largest portion of the vetch for hay, as hay the past four years has been a good price, and thresh a few acres for seed. Grind up the vetch screenings to fatten out the hogs' feed with separated milk, but let the hogs run on the alfalfa or clover all the time. I don't think it pays to put a hog up in a tight pen and fatten on wheat; the ground feed with pasture is much cheaper and gives the best results.

I have just lately made up my mind that alfalfa will do better than clover, as my experience has proved that way. With several trials with red clover it has not been satisfactory; it kills out too quickly and its yield was too light. It may be that people expect too much of it before the ground gets inoculated so it will do well. I prepared two acres of ground and sowed to alfalfa the 26th of May, 1904, and used land plaster and inoculated dirt from an old alfalfa field, and after all the extremely dry year the alfalfa did fine.

I want to say for the benefit of any Eastern people that may read this, that this Willamette valley is a fine place to live—such an even climate; people don't have to freeze all winter and in the summer set up all night and fan themselves to live as they do East. Can go to bed and sleep comfortably any night in the year. I notice that after an Easterner comes here and stays a year or two he seldom goes East to stay; several to my knowledge went back East but in less than six months found themselves back here again. If I had known of this climate it would have found

me here 15 years ago, instead of enduring those extremes of the eastern states so long. I don't wonder people live so much longer here; they can enjoy life in comfort, but if back East they would have to wrestle all winter to keep warm and all summer to find a cool place to rest. I have had my share and all I want of that.

The inducements of Benton county are increasing, especially at the Experiment Station and Agricultural College where more students are numbering every year, and the town of Corvallis has made a wonderful growth the last seven months, and times are generally good. Every thing the farmer has to sell has demanded a good price and ready sale, with the exception of cattle and sheep, but I think they will be good in the spring. Hay is \$11 a ton, wood \$5 a cord, potatoes 80 cents per bushel, vetch seed \$2.40 per bushel, rye 8 cents, rye clover 16 cents, speltz \$1.25 a bushel, oats 45 cents and wheat 80 cents.

### Resolutions of Condolence.

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Supreme Commander to call our care-worn Comrade Chipman home to rest from his labors, where no clash of drums or bugle call can disturb his peaceful slumbers until the last trumpet shall arouse him, with those who have long slept, to receive the rewards of merit due them, consequent on a well spent life, and a faithful performance of their duty while here on earth, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That by the death of Comrade Chipman the community has lost a useful citizen, his family a kind father, his wife a devoted husband and protector, and Ellsworth Post a useful and honored comrade, and his death has created a void which can never be filled, and be it further

RESOLVED, That we tender our heart-felt sympathy to the family of the deceased comrade, and bid them look forward to a happy reunion in the great beyond. Be it further

RESOLVED, As a mark of our esteem the charter banner and other fixtures of Ellsworth Post be draped in mourning for the space of thirty days, and these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the Post and a copy thereof be sent to the widow of deceased.

S. O. Peese.  
Levi Oren.  
Wm. Lane.  
Committee.

### Is Now in Charge.

Last Monday, T. H. Curtis, of Astoria, appointed by A. B. Hammond to the position of manager of the Corvallis & Eastern railroad to succeed Edwin Stone, deceased, entered upon the duties connected with his new position. He was fairly well acquainted with the affairs of the road to begin with as he had frequently passed over the entire line and was personally acquainted with nearly all of the railroad officials. It is assured that he will have the healthy cooperation of all employees of the road, as he is a pleasant gentleman, of quiet manner, and thoroughly informed regarding the needs of the country the line traverses.

Mr. Curtis is one of A. B. Hammond's right hand men in this state. At present he is vice-president of the Astoria & Columbia River railroad, and for the present at least, cannot give all his attention to the C. & E., as part of his time must be given to the affairs of the Astoria & Columbia River road. However, there is no apprehension of the affairs of the C. & E. suffering from a division of his time.

**Foley's Kidney Cure** makes kidneys and bladder right.

### COLLEGE JOTTINGS.

Items of Interest in and Around the O. A. C.

The girls' basket ball team are to play the Chemawa girls in the Armory, Saturday evening. The last time the Chemawa girls played OAC, the game was a tie, but when the tie was played off the Chemawa girls succeeded in throwing the first basket.

Rev. Harry Hill and Dr. Harsha will speak to the students and faculty in the chapel, Sunday afternoon at 2:30. There will be special music and there should be a good attendance.

The schedule is again changed and the boys are to drill at 11:45 a. m., that is, immediately after chapel, instead of in the evening. This will make the first hour after dinner begin at 1:30 instead of 12:50.

The Eutopians are to entertain the Jeffersonians, Saturday night.

Prof. Berchtold requested that all who expect to graduate in June would hand their names to him next Wednesday.

The committee on inter-society debates met Wednesday to draw up rules and regulations to govern the debates of this year.

The Freshmen are to have their annual party this Friday night.

The tryout between the different classes on the track, is to occur Feb. 22. At least four will enter from each class and perhaps more from some classes. This is to determine who will be eligible to enter the spring meet.

The Feronians are to entertain the Amicitians Saturday night.

Miss Winnie Logan, a former OAC student, is taking teachers' examination this week.

Leander N. Liggett, a member of the graduating class of '73 of OAC, died recently at his home in Prineville. He was 51 years of age, and was one of the oldest alumnus of OAC.

The flag has been flying at half mast this week in memoriam of J. M. Church, a member of the Board of Regents, who died in Portland, Sunday.

### COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE.

#### Monroe Notes.

Fred Danville again commenced working for James Herron, Monday.

A good crowd attended the pigeon shoot Saturday. Floyd Barnett, also D. Harpole, Will Huggins, Mort Bumgardner, and Dolly Wilhelm were the lucky shots. The boys will shoot again next Saturday for beef. One-half will be for rifle shooting and the other half shotgun. Mr. Looney is putting up the beef.

Improvements have recently been going on at the Martin residence. A new wire fence and a new walk has lately been constructed and the trees near the house are being pruned. Mrs. Lemaster has gone to McMinnville to visit her son, who is seriously ill. Mrs. Smith, her daughter, is doing her work while she is away.

Mrs. Kay returned home, Saturday, from Eugene.

Willie Leoney has recently purchased a fine young horse.

Mrs. Garlinghouse is seriously ill at her home near here. She had a sudden attack of paralysis. She also recently sold a fine span of horses to J. M. Nichols, of Plainview.

School closed here for a week on account of the teachers' examination.

A large crowd and a good time was reported from the party Friday evening at Chas. Shipley's.

L. Peak made his first trip with the mail over the new route last Monday.

#### Glenbrook.

Mrs. Howard's little boy, Edward, is quite low with the typhoid fever.

Mr. Wheeler and family are going to Idaho in about ten days to reside.

The boys and dogs of the neighborhood

are having quite a time chasing coyotes this winter. They have killed four.

Mr. Hoover and Will Howell have gone down to Mr. Bruce's to cut cord wood.

Glenbrook post office has been discontinued and patrons are now supplied by rural free delivery.

#### Beaver Creek.

Mrs. Alta Gray is visiting at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Skipton, near Philomath.

Miss Bessie Ireland, of Monmouth, has been visiting at the home of her uncle, J. S. Ireland.

Mr. Weed, of Philomath, passed through here enroute to his brother's timber claim, this week.

O. B. Conner, mail carrier of Route No. 2, has been called to the bedside of his father, and Mr. Cooper now delivers the mail.

The Sundry school has been discontinued owing to stormy weather.

Mr. Wright of late has been suffering from an attack of rheumatism.

Grandfather Butler is still reported to be in a critical condition.

Mrs. Wm. Parks has been called to the bedside of her father, who is not expected to live.

School commenced a four-months' term Monday, Feb. 6.

Mrs. Peterson has returned from a Portland hospital, not much better.

Grandma Mercer went to the table a few days ago the first time in ten months.

Mrs. James Ireland went to Sodaville this week to visit her mother, who is very sick.

George Manning is laid up with rheumatism. Andrew Ireland is making rails for him.

#### Apropos Judgeship.

Last Tuesday, the senators from the second judicial district, which comprises the counties of Lincoln, Benton, Lane, Douglas, Coos and Curry, agreed to report favorably on a bill to create a judgeship in this district. The bill is so amended as to prescribe the residences of the judges.

Judge Hamilton resides in Douglas, and as according to the provisions of the bill one judge must reside in Douglas, Coos or Curry counties, the other in Benton, Lane or Lincoln, we are, if the bill passes, to expect a new judge to adjudicate the legal affairs of the last three counties mentioned.

Governor Chamberlain will have the appointing of the new judge and may appoint a man from any part of this district, but if said appointee should reside in one of the three southern counties comprising this district he must

### Corvallis Gun Club Meet.

The second annual trap shooting meet of the Corvallis Gun Club will take place in this city, on Wednesday, February 22. This is an event that appeals strongly to our sportsmen and the indications are that, as the shoot will occur on a legal holiday, there will be a large attendance. Many good prizes, cash and otherwise, are hung up for the winning shots and will work like a "soap poutlice" in drawing a crowd. The program follows:

#### MORNING.

EVENT NO. 1.—10 Targets, unknown angles. Entrance 50c. \$5.00 cash, added to purse. 1st prize 50 per cent. of purse. 2nd prize 30 per cent. of purse. 3rd prize 20 per cent. of purse. 4th prize 1 Box of Cigars, value \$2.50, donated by C. E. Small.

EVENT NO. 2.—15 Targets, unknown angles. Entrance 75c. \$5.00 cash, added to purse. 1st prize 50 per cent. of purse. 2nd prize 30 per cent. of purse. 3rd prize 20 per cent. of purse. 4th prize Fancy Riding Bridle, value \$5.00, donated by J. E. Winegar.

EVENT NO. 3.—20 Targets, reversed pall. Entrance \$1.00. \$5.00 cash, added to purse. 1st prize 50 per cent. of purse. 2nd prize 30 per cent. of purse. 3rd prize 20 per cent. of purse. 4th prize Rain Overcoat, value \$10.00, donated by F. L. Miller.

#### AFTERNOON.

EVENT NO. 4.—10 Targets, unknown angles. Entrance 50c. \$5.00 cash, added to purse. 1st prize 50 per cent. of purse. 2nd prize 30 per cent. of purse. 3rd prize 20 per cent. of purse. 4th prize Gordon Hat, value \$3.00, donated by S. L. Kline.

EVENT NO. 5.—20 Targets, unknown angles. Entrance \$1.00. \$5.00 cash, added to purse. 1st prize 50 per cent. of purse. 2nd prize 30 per cent. of purse. 3rd prize 20 per cent. of purse. 4th prize one pair Friedman Shoes, value \$5.00, donated by Moses Bros.

EVENT NO. 6.—25 Targets, unknown angles. Entrance \$1.50. \$7.50 cash, added to purse. 1st prize 50 per cent. of purse. 2nd prize 30 per cent. of purse. 3rd prize 20 per cent. of purse. 4th prize Baby Buggy, value \$12.00, donated by Hollenberg & Cady. 5th prize one dozen Carbon-platino Photos, value \$6.00, donated by Emery, photo.

\$5.00 in cash will be given for highest average. A framed picture, value \$2.50, donated by O. J. Blackledge, will be given for lowest average.

In addition an ENGRAVED SILVER LOVING CUP, value \$10.00, will be given to the local club member making the best average.

#### NOTE.

Only those shooting through the program will be eligible to average prizes. Traps open for practice at 8:30 a. m. Program begins at 9:30 a. m. 2 cents each will be charged for targets used in practice or sweepstake shooting. In regular events 3 cents each will be deducted from the purse. Class shooting will be the system of dividing the purses. Ties on merchandise prizes will be decided by score in following event.

#### Squad Hustlers.

DICK KIGER.  
GRANT ELGIN.

#### Tournament Committee.

R. C. KIGER.  
GUS LOGSON.  
W. G. EMERY.

take up his residence in either Lane, Benton or Lincoln county. The purpose of the resident proposition is to have the judge reside where it will be convenient for attorneys to reach them.

#### Day of Prayer.

It is expected that next Tuesday, Feb. 14, will be a Day of Prayer. This is the last day of Dr. Harsha's work in Corvallis, and as in the other places where he has labored so also here it is hoped to close the work in this

most fitting manner. All business houses will be asked to close from 11 a. m. to 1 p. m. that a great mass meeting may be held in the opera house. Dr. Harsha will deliver a special address on "A Challenge to the Agnostic." There will be special music. Time will be given for dinner so that all may be at work by 1 p. m. Make your arrangements to come at 11 a. m. Heed this call to prayer. Dr. Harsha's closing service of Tuesday night will also be held in the opera house.

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