

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Good morning, St. Valentine!

Mrs. Clum Read was confined to her bed several days last week, the result of lagrippe.

A. S. York, traveling agent for the Oregonian and Telegram, was in Corvallis a few days ago.

Wilt Flemming, of Salem, was up last week visiting at the home of his parents, near this city.

Chester Avery, who has been confined home for many weeks, a victim of a pneumonia, was out on the streets during the latter part of last week.

Charley Lillard, while working in the timber a few days ago, accidentally struck a cross-cut saw tooth in his left knee. He had a pretty stiff leg for a few days.

Mrs. Mary F. Lowell, who was obliged to undergo a surgical operation of a serious nature a short time ago, is reported to be considerably improved in health. She is at the home of W. P. Miner, in this city.

From all parts of the country reports reach us to the effect that taxes are being paid unusually prompt this year. This is a splendid indication of the general good condition of things this year.

The ladies guild of the Episcopal church are to hold a meeting next Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Wm. Broders. It is earnestly desired that all members be present on this occasion, as the purpose of the meeting is to arrange the details of the Easter sale, which is always given at this season of the year.

R. C. Kiger intends to begin soon to shape his string of horses for the coming summer and fall races, which are scheduled for various points in the valley. Mr. Kiger intends to enter one two-year-old trotter, one pacer, and his well-known horse, Pilot. He has some splendid animals at present and they will likely be heard from before the racing season is over.

The Independent telephone company is rapidly gaining ground in Linn county. Poles are being placed between here and Tangent and Peoria and within a comparatively short time we will have phone connections with those places over the Independent line. It is understood that the company have permission to use the poles that support the ferry cable in crossing the river.

There was a meeting of the board of school directors, Friday evening, in Clerk Buchanan's office. The board consists of F. L. Miller, C. E. Hout, Geo. E. Lilly and W. H. Buchanan, clerk. The usual list of monthly salaries were allowed. It is thought that Miss Grace Huff will be sufficiently recovered to resume her duties as teacher by March 1st.

Just at present the "coreless apple" is attracting attention. We are assured that this sort of an apple has made its appearance and really "has come to stay." This seems too good to be true. It reminds us of the experience as related by a country gentleman on his return from a visit to the city. His wife asked him if he saw any "horseless carriages" while in the metropolis? No, he replied, "but I had some of their derved cowless milk." Coreless apples and cowless milk would undoubtedly make great dumplings.

Word reached Corvallis, Saturday morning, to the effect that Mrs. Rilla Hyde, wife of Charles Hyde and daughter of William Spencer, had died quite suddenly, Friday night, at her home, on Greasy. She was taken suddenly ill and in a short time expired. Whether her death was occasioned by some description of cramp, or heart failure is not known positively, but it is thought to have been the former. The remains were interred, Sunday, in Pleasant Valley cemetery. She was an estimable young lady, and her husband, relatives, and many friends will mourn her departure.

E. M. Simpson and S. B. Bane, both of this city, are branching out in the Mongolian pheasant business. Mr. Simpson has 24 hens and Mr. Bane 34; and they are all in a healthy condition. The pheasants do fairly well in captivity, although they are very shy. They are great layers, and this is the main incentive in going into the business of raising them. At this season of the year a good pair of pheasants are worth something like \$7.50, but at some seasons of the year may be had at \$5 per pair. Messrs. Simpson and Bane are of the opinion that there is more money in raising pheasants than in the chicken business, although as is the latter, and are going to give it a trial. We shall hear the result later.

Editor B. F. Irvine went to Salem, yesterday.

Prof. G. Tailandier, of the piano department at OAC, accompanied by his wife, went to Portland, Saturday, to attend the concert given by the great De Paonmann.

The recent cold snap furnished the small boy much fun. On the ponds adjacent Corvallis, young America could be seen sailing on the ice, either on his feet or his head. My, but it was great sport!

Geo. A. Waggoner returned from Salem, last Friday night, after an absence of several days. Mr. Waggoner was down there in the interest of his book, which is expected from the hands of the publisher within a few days.

A meeting of the county delegates of the Grange of Benton, will be held in Supt. Denman's office on the first Saturday in March at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing delegates to the State Grange and to transact any other business that may come up before the meeting.

R. C. Wills, who arrived with his wife last week from Portland, is now located in a dwelling just south of the college. Mr. Wills has entered upon his duties as carpenter at OAC and seriously intends making this city his home. His opinion is that we will always have a good town here.

It is understood that members of the senior class at OAC are going to produce a play in the near future. The play is to be under the management of Prof. Helen Crawford and the proceeds are to be turned over to the Village Improvement Society of this city. To assist this society is a movement worthy of commendation.

Tomorrow evening at the recital given by the piano pupils at the Western Academy of Music, Portland, Prof. Goodnough, the head of the department, will perform one number. He has chosen "The Grand Valse Caprice," in E-flat, by Rubinstein. This is a most trying number, but on this occasion it is certain of a good rendition.

O. B. Connors, mail carrier on R. F. D. route No. 2, "played horse" last Saturday. On account of the roads being badly frozen, and in consequence very rough and slow to drive over, he went on foot and carried the mail on his back. To his credit it is related that he made the usual time. He would make a great postman in a city.

The mass meeting called for last Friday night in the interest of the Y. M. C. A. building, which it is proposed to erect near the college, was not very well attended. For some reason there was a lack of interest. A few speeches were made throwing light on the work on hand, but nothing in the way of raising funds was attempted. However, a canvas of the town for contributions was commenced yesterday, and everything is looking bright again.

Saturday, while returning from a trip to Alesia, Mart Fruit met with an accident which might have caused him the loss of an eye. Some gravel was thrown from the horses' hoof and struck Mr. Fruit in the left eye, nearly blinding him. Sunday the eye was painful him so severely that Dr. Cathey was summoned and succeeded in removing considerable gravel from the injured eye. Everything at present indicates a speedy recovery of the optic.

Upon opening up for business last Friday morning, Dr. Harper found a little round hole in the glass of the north window of his dental parlor. The hole was about an inch in diameter and perfectly round, and had been made some time between his closing hour Thursday evening and when he opened the following morning. Opinions vary as to the cause of the hole, some people inclining to the belief that it was caused by a bullet from a slung-shot, while others favor the idea that it was a "spent ball" from a rifle. However, if either version is correct, no bullet was found in the establishment.

Our sportsmen have been keenly interested in the hunters' license bill that was introduced during the present session of the legislature. This bill requires each hunter to pay an annual gun license fee of \$1.00. The measure passed the senate last Friday. By the provisions of the bill, farmers and members of their families are allowed to hunt on their own lands. When first introduced, there was no exception made in behalf of farmers, and the bill received some pretty rough handling. It was claimed unfair to impose a gun license fee of \$1.00 on a farmer and every member of his family who used a gun, when they hunted on their own land, birds that they had raised, so to speak. The justice of this assertion was seen and the objectionable clause stricken from the bill.

The case of Groves vs. Osborn in the supreme court was affirmed.

Miss Alice Mahaffey left yesterday morning for Pe. El., Wash., for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Turner.

Preparations are being made for the OAC cadets to go to Salem one day this week and drill before the legislators. This is great.

J. J. Cady informs us that he knows of five or six families at present in the East who intend to settle in this county within the next two months.

Attorney W. E. Yates, of this city, accompanied the legislators to the bay Saturday and states that this body expressed themselves as most favorable to OAC--his visit here having aroused much interest.

Wm P. Darby and son, M. S. Darby, are moving to the place they purchased a couple of months ago from D. C. Ecker, near Inavate. The Ecker farm comprises 80 acres and Mr. Ecker has just moved from it to a farm he has purchased on the east side of the Willamette in Linn county.

Lewis Hollenberg arrived home last Friday, from a business trip to Iowa. While East Mr. Hollenberg experienced some pretty cool weather and is pleased to get back to Webfoot. Beyond doubt many new families will be added to our population as the result of Mr. Hollenberg's visit.

There will be a local teachers' institute held next Saturday in the school house, in this city. Local educators will take part in the discussions, while Prof. T. A. Hayes and S. A. Richardson, of Albany, will have papers on certain educational topics. An interesting and entertaining time is promised.

Major Hardin having been the commanding officer at OAC for something more than a year, the following dispatch from Washington, dated Feb. 11, will be of interest: "The War Department has been informed of the acquittal in the court-martial case of Major Edward E. Hardin, Seventh Infantry. While Major Hardin was in charge of the military prison on Mahal Island in the Philippines 30 prisoners escaped, killing several of the guards. Major Hardin was brought before a military court, which has acquitted him as being entirely blameless in the matter."

When B. R. Thompson arrived to open his photograph gallery, yesterday morning, he found that some one had pried open his cabinet of photos at the entrance to the building and appropriated several views he was exhibiting. This, Mr. Thompson thinks, was done some time during Sunday night. This is one way to get a valentine. The party guilty of this act evidently did not stop to think, or he would have known that he could never allow his stolen views to be seen, as Mr. Thompson is the only person with this particular negative and could readily trace the thief in this way. But one who will stoop to anything so petty is not capable of serious thought.

Last Friday evening about five o'clock L. P. Miller dropped dead in his chair. Details are meager, but it is learned that Mr. Miller was about 60 years of age, had been in this county but a few months and was stopping with a friend not far from Philomath. The name of this friend could not be ascertained. It seems that he was in his usual health that evening and was sitting by the stove when his friend went out to do the chores. When the friend returned from his duties he discovered that Mr. Miller had fallen forward in his chair and was up against the stove. Investigation proved that the old gentleman was dead. Where he was from or if he had any relatives is not known. The remains were interred Sunday in Newton's cemetery.

Their Visit.

The legislators arrived in Corvallis Saturday about 1 p. m. and proceeded at once to OAC, where they were received with sincere warmth. For a couple of hours the senators and representatives were shown about the various buildings and grounds.

A banquet was given them in one of the rooms of the Agricultural Hall, at which about 100 assembled--senators, representatives, college and town people. President Gatch introduced Hon. J. K. Weatherford, president of the board of regents, who made a pleasing address. This was followed by some remarks by senator Haines, of Washington county. The latter had much to say in favor of the college and from the tenor of his remarks there is encouragement for the belief that the legislative body will act favorably on the bill for appropriating funds for certain buildings that

are deemed necessary at OAC, the young ladies dormitory among them. About 3 o'clock the legislative body took the train for the coast, where they remained until yesterday morning. Prof. J. B. Horner accompanied them to the bay.

Our Girls Won.

The basket ball game between the girls of OAC and the girls from the Chemawa Indian training school, which occurred in the Armory Saturday evening, resulted in a victory for our girls. The final score stood 16 to 6 in favor of OAC.

A large crowd of basket ball enthusiasts attended and the rooting was impartial. The cadet band rendered good music suitable to the occasion. The first half was played with considerable snap and resulted in a score of 9 to 4 in our favor. The second half was somewhat slower and in this half the OAC girls scored 7 points, while their dusky opponents added only 2 points to their score. This made OAC 16 and Chemawa 6 as a final. The game was very clean and there was no suspicion of a "rough house."

A large delegation of Albany people were present and seemed thoroughly to enjoy the game. They unhesitatingly pronounced the Corvallis team the stronger, but thought Albany could administer defeat to OAC, and the result of this opinion was a challenge and its acceptance. By the terms of the challenge the young ladies of Albany will play our girls next Friday evening in the Armory, with the understanding that Albany be given a return game on their own grounds next week.

This is all very well and as it should be. Recently there seems to have been a little hitch over the game between these teams and it now looks as if the matter would be settled in a sisterly way.

After Thirty-Nine Years.

Last Friday Emery Allen retired from the drug business in this city, and his son, John F. Allen, succeeds him as sole proprietor of this establishment. It was thirty-nine years Feb. 1st since Emery Allen entered the drug business in this city. He is now in his 73rd year and is an exceedingly well preserved man for his age.

Mr. Allen came to Benton county in 1860 and for the following six years, followed by turns, school teaching and farming. In 1866 he formed a co-partnership with John W. Souther and entered into the drug business. They went into business where the Occidental Hotel now stands, and the part of the building which at present constitutes the kitchen of this popular hostelry was formerly the drug store of Allen & Souther.

In June 1869, Mr. Souther sold his interest in the business to E. Woodward and the store was moved to quarters in the Fisher brick. A few years ago the firm secured their present business location. Mr. Woodward retired in 1899, after 30 years partnership, to accept the judgeship of this county. A position which he filled with credit to himself. A couple of years ago Mr. Allen took his son, John, into partnership with him. Emery Allen has survived all the men who were in business when he began his career as a druggist. Of all who conduct a business in this city when he began, not one is in business today. G. Hodes, now deceased, was the last of the old-time business men to go. During his time Mr. Allen has seen hundreds of men go out of business in Corvallis, some through the doors of death, and others failed--very few made a success of it and retired with a sufficient sum to pass the remainder of their days in ease. The old gentleman's memory is very green and it is interesting to listen to his reminiscences. We wish him the many years of happiness that should be his.

A Menace to Health.

Kidney trouble is an insidious danger and many people are of a serious malady before the symptoms are recognized. Foley's Kidney cure corrects irregularities and strengthens and builds up the kidneys, and it should be taken at the first indication of kidney trouble, as it is impossible to have good health if the kidneys are deranged. For sale by Graham & Wortham.

Foley's Kidney Cure makes kidneys and bladder right.

Extraordinary Announcement

This announcement, the most important ever made by any mercantile house in the Willamette valley, will be of vast interest to every man, woman and child in this city and vicinity.

Our 35th Clearance Sale

closed Jan. 31st, and in giving thanks for your generous patronage, I make the following extraordinary announcement: I will refund the money on all cash purchases made on a certain day of the month of February, the day selected to be announced in the GAZETTE of March 3. The Lucky Day will be selected by lot.

No Matter What You Purchase

for cash at retail rates, be it a five-cent or \$100 purchase, if your duplicate checks bear the date of the LUCKY DAY, your money will be cheerfully refunded.

Save Your Duplicate Checks

secured with cash purchases as no money will be refunded except on presentation of duplicate cash checks. Buy something every day and you are bound to

Be one of the Lucky Ones

My popular low prices will prevail during this month. All goods marked in plain figures. Mail orders accompanied by cash will participate in this offer.

S. L. KLINE

Regulator of Low Prices

Corvallis, Ore.

Our Great Annual Stock-taking Remnant Sale

Immense reductions in every department. Short ends, odd sizes, broken lines and remnants by hundreds. Dress goods, Silks, Readymade wear, Laces, Ribbons, Draperies, Lace curtains, Sheets, Pillow cases, etc.

Prices in many cases reduced by half. Our new Spring goods will arrive early.

F. L. Miller, Corvallis

.. SPECIAL SALE ..

DURING FEBRUARY

Great Shoe Sale

The largest assortment of Shoes offered on Special Sale in Philomath. Comprises about 1,000 pair of Men's, Women's, Misses', Boy's and Children's Shoes will be on sale during the month of February. This reduction will be made for Cash only. Immediate attention will be given to Mail Orders. There are Special Prices on Men's, Women's, Boy's and Children's Rubber Boots and Oil Coats. We also call your attention to our large Stock of Millinery Goods which are on Special Sale.

J. E. HENKLE,

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