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GREAT MEETING.

Philomath the Scene of Enthusiastic Parents' Meeting Last Saturday—Features of Special Interest.

Philomath last Saturday was the scene of one of the liveliest and best Parents' Meetings held in the county for a long time. The patrons and teachers filled the two rooms of the public school until the seating capacity was taxed. Promptly at one o'clock the exercises began. After singing for fifteen minutes the regular program opened. The speeches were some of the strongest and ablest ever heard at these meetings. They were full of thought, valuable suggestions and sound advice. Rev. A. R. Laudy in treating the subject, "The Bible, Its Place in the Public School," thought it had a place in every institution of learning. Its influence in being placed even on the table with other reading matter was indispensable. Every teacher should use good common sense as to how far its use is permitted. It had a place in history and language work; in history, as a reference work for sacred history; and in language work, in compositions on the character of Daniel, etc. Miss Anna Wright read an interesting paper on "The Educational Exhibit at Lewis and Clark Fair—Our Duty as Teachers, Why, How?" She was followed by Earl Brown on the same subject who gave some good suggestions on how to do this work and told why every teacher should help. Mrs. Mamie Fulkerson read an excellent paper on, "Taxation Without Representation is Tyranny." She treated the subject from the standpoint of training our children. She very aptly portrayed life's experiences. T. T. Vincent in one of his interesting characteristic speeches, gave some sound advice in discussing "How to Succeed." Beginning with the importance of an education, he rapidly spoke on the elements necessary for success. A very fine paper was read by Rev. F. W. Jones on "How Shall We Train Our Boys and Girls for Citizenship?" This was one of the best papers of the day. It was full of sound doctrine to our parents. "Professional Courtesy," by Prof. O. V. White, gave those present something to think about in their relations with each other. Every teacher who heard the address was put to thinking. "What Does the Future hold in Store for Our Boys and Girls?" could not have been handled better. Pres. L. B. Baldwin gave an enthusiastic talk. He said our parents were all looking ahead to see what the future held in store for our cattle, sheep, hogs, fruit, hops, grain, but how many applied the question to their children. Pres. Baldwin's remarks went straight home to the heart of the subject. The talk of Prof. A. N. Fulkerson on "Professional Reading" was good and practical.

The literary part of the program was exceptionally strong; it was pronounced by all as of a rare quality. Recitations by Mrs. Clara Baldwin, Miss Maud Angel and Ethyl Weed were especially fine. The pupils from the Philomath school lower grades, and outside districts, helped in a meritorious manner.

On the musical part of the program the Ladies' Quartet gave two excellent numbers, and the duet by Nellie Wyatt and Pres. Baldwin was enjoyed by every one.

The reception committee, consisting of pupils from the eighth grade, assisted by the teachers of Philomath public school, did themselves proud. No better, more inviting, tempting and enjoyable dinner has been prepared by our patrons. Philomath's good housewives have endeared themselves in the hearts of all

their neighboring friends by their successful attempt to entertain during the noon hour. Our cooks of Wells, Alsea, Bellfountain, Kings Valley, Monroe and other parts of the county, will have to strive to excel this last effort from Philomath.

During the noon hour our friends of the public school were invited to inspect the educational exhibit work returned from St. Louis Exposition. The entire hour was spent in examining the excellent work done by the schools of our county. The children were all pleasantly entertained while the older ones went to dinner by the photograph of Supt. Denman. The interest manifested by them showed that they enjoyed it. It might not be amiss to say that the Philomath public schools are striving very hard to prepare some excellent work for the Lewis and Clark Fair. Several features of their exhibit will surpass anything yet sent from our county.

Supt. Denman has already begun arrangements to hold the next parents' meeting at Bellfountain. The Bellfountain Grange has signified its willingness to unite with the schools. The meeting will occur the third Saturday in April.

Summit.

We have been having pretty wet weather this week.

Mrs. Emery is improving. She has Miss Jones, of Corvallis, as her nurse.

Fred Reynolds has purchased a cream separator. He will milk for creamery this summer.

Marcus Caves and wife were in Corvallis the first of the week.

Mr. Harrison is quite sick.

H. W. Kaupisch, of Corvallis, was out Monday.

There will be a basket social at the school house Saturday, March 25. Program commences at 7:30. Come and buy a basket.

Dr. Cathey was summoned to the bedside of Wm. Clark's little 2-year-old boy, Tuesday. The child is improving.

Mrs. Ling returned from a brief visit with relatives and friends in Albany, Monday.

Some of our people have the measles.

The farmer's telephone will soon be in operation; the poles are all set.

Miss Scott, of Albany, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Coe.

Summit school will open May 1st. Mr. Miller, of Shedd, will teach.

Some of our people met at the school house, Tuesday evening, to organize an Artisan lodge.

BELLFOUNTAIN.

Mr. Roper, who lives on W. S. Humphrey's place, has been quite sick lately.

Justice M. M. Waltz has been putting up a new redwood tank that adds greatly to the appearance and convenience of his home.

Miss Bertha Edwards commenced a term of school last Monday in the Brown district, east of Monroe.

S. A. Tharp sold two horses last week, and has a good price offered him for a third. He hardly knows whether to sell or not, as he has only one left.

Last Saturday Dr. Withycombe addressed a good-sized audience at the Grange hall, on "Improved and Practical Methods in Farming." The doctor is no theorist merely, but is thoroughly practical, and is doubtless doing more for the improvement of agricultural methods than any other man in the State of Oregon.

Trees are blossoming and vegetation is growing as though it might be the middle of April or the first of May.

Farmers are mostly about through seeding. Fall crops look fine. Stock of all kinds look well. Goats sheared heavier than usual.

Cured Hemorrhage of the Lungs.

"Several years since my lungs were so badly affected that I had so many hemorrhages," writes A. M. Ake, of Wood Ind. "I took treatment with several physicians without any benefit. I then started to take Foley's Honey and Tar, and my lungs are now as sound as a bullet. I recommend it in advanced stages of lung trouble." Foley's Honey and Tar stops the cough and heals the lungs, and prevents serious results from a cold. Refuse substitutes. Sold by Graham & Wortham.

IT WILL BE GREAT.

Benton's Space in the Agricultural Palace Selected—The Promise of Good Results.

Henry L. French, who has charge of the work of collecting an exhibit for Benton county at the Lewis and Clark Fair, returned from the metropolis last week. He went to Portland in order to select space for our exhibit at the Fair and is exceedingly pleased with his success. As is well known, all the exhibits from agricultural counties will be placed in the Agricultural Palace. Mr. French reports that he secured for our exhibit a space of 20x26 feet, in what he considers the second best position in the Palace. Our exhibit will be so placed that it has three faces. Facing on the east will be found the exhibit of Montana; on the north, that of Idaho; and two or three Oregon counties on the west. Mr. French says that he is very desirous of having Benton county have as good or better exhibit than either of the states of Montana or Idaho. He seems confident that if our people will assist him in every way that this can be accomplished.

Space in the Agricultural Palace is now at a premium; every available inch is spoken for and will be crammed to the limit. It is the desire of Mr. French to send down new and fresh supplies once a week during the Fair in order that the face and general aspect of our exhibit may be ever-changing. Our position in the pavilion is such that we must do credit to it and ourselves. In order to do this, much work must be done. The time is short and the Fair will be upon us before we realize it, so it is a case of "hustle" for everybody.

It is particularly desired at this time to call the attention of those who are in possession of fine samples of wool and mohair to the fact that these factors of the exhibit are as yet very scarce. Can not a few of our wool and mohair growers take it upon themselves to assist in the present case?

Those in charge of the Fair are going to be very strict, and in view of this fact, Mr. French will have nearly everything made ready for exhibit in this city, and then when shipped to Portland there will be little difficulty in looking after it properly.

In order to economize space, all, or nearly all, of our exhibit of native woods will be manufactured into elegant tables, boxes, crates, panels, etc., before being sent to the Exposition grounds. When there, these articles will be used in various ways in displaying other articles of the exhibit, such as grains, grasses and the like. This is a splendid idea. Show cases will be made of our native woods, and many unique little designs will present themselves when the work is once nicely under way, that are at present not even in our dreams.

Mr. French is very enthusiastic over the prospect for Benton in the work he has undertaken. The promise was made him by the authorities in charge at Portland to have a man look after everything he might send down. While the offer is fully appreciated by all, Mr. French states that on account of the action of the labor unions in Portland it would cost about \$10 per day if a man from the metropolis was placed in charge of our exhibit; therefore, he deems it wiser for a man to be sent from Benton to look after the matter, as the county would have to pay its share toward the expense of a man any way, even if chosen from Portland. Not alone this, but a man from this county would show more interest in the work and would be better posted on the

resources of the county. This is all true and a good man should be sent from here. Beyond doubt the county court will look at this in the same light.

That this will be the greatest opportunity Benton ever had for advertising does not need to be stated. While the Lewis and Clark Fair will not be so large as the St. Louis Exposition, it will be fully as fine. The best of everything to be seen at St. Louis will be exhibited at Portland. For quality this Fair will tip its hat to none. Now, let everybody do their part and speak a good word for the Benton exhibit.

TREE MOSQUITOES SHUN.

Discovery of Growth Called the Papaya May Be of Interest to New Jersey People.

M. De Parville, in the Journal des Debats, announces a discovery which should be of interest to Jerseyites and other dwellers beneath the curse of the mosquito—a tree which makes things so unpleasant for the pestiferous little insect that it will not come within a radius of 100 yards of the vicinity in which the tree grows. The tree is a native of China, and its effect on the insect was discovered by accident. In the English settlement on the banks of the Si-Kiang river one of the houses surrounded by these trees (called papaya) was found to be free from the pest, while the other houses in the neighborhood were infested by mosquitoes. However, after a cyclone, during which the papaya were demolished, the insects appeared there in full force. The papaya has also the property of making meat tender when hung in its branches, and this, together with the fact that the sap of the tree is used in medicine as an aid to digestion, would seem to indicate that its effect is semi-digestive.

SKILLED LABOR NOT NEEDED

Welding a Broken Shaft May Be Done by Inexperienced Hands If Thermite Succeeds.

Welding a broken shaft, or even the ends of rails on trolley lines, is considered of sufficient importance to require experts at the head of the work, but if the new welding material, thermite, fulfills all that is promised, unskilled workmen may be doing this work in the near future. The thermite rail-welding process has already been accepted abroad, and 20,000 joints have been united by this system in 40 European cities. The rail ends must be cleaned from dust and rust by a wire brush, and then slightly warmed. A mold is then fitted around the ends and the thermite is heated in a crucible directly above the entrance to the mold, into which it flows as soon as the temperature rises to the melting point. The welding is done automatically by the thermite itself, and thus the supervision of an expert welder is not required. In welding a heavy shaft the mold is built up around it and the heat applied to the crucible as before, a process which might save valuable time on board ships.

COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE.

BEAVER CREEK.

Owing to the continued dry weather plowing has been greatly hindered, but the recent heavy showers has made it possible again.

Charley Starr, of Medley, was up the valley one day last week.

Grandma Mercer is reported to be improving in health.

Mrs. Juffey has been quite ill the past few days.

Sherman Gleason finished his telephone line last Saturday. He says it works to perfection.

Otis Skipton was up the valley one day last week transacting business.

Lester Mercer is at present taking care of an early rose boil on one of his fingers.

Last Friday morning Sherman Gleason after loading his buggy with wire, his horse turned suddenly to one side and broke one of his buggy wheels.

Mr. Weed is visiting his brother in Philomath.

Mr. Daniels was a Corvallis visitor Friday.

Earl Brown is at present boarding at Mr. Thompson's. He hopes to be able to move his family out for a few weeks camping.

OAK GROVE.

C. N. Stewart has taken a contract to clear several acres of land for Archie Henshaw.

The Artisans of Wells gave an open meeting at their hall Saturday evening. There was a large crowd present and the evening was spent in a social way.

Avert Vanderpool, who has been sick most of the winter, was able to make a business trip to Albany, Monday.

Talk is now cheap around Wells, as the new phones are in and are generally busy.

Mr. Chambers and wife, of Kings Valley, went over to Albany, Friday, returning home the same day.

Laurence Congill and Elmer Williamson spent Sunday in Corvallis visiting friends. They returned in the afternoon.

W. A. Williamson returned home, Saturday, from Portland, where he had been a few days on business.

Stephen Parker has sold his farm to a man from California and expects to leave old Benton. We regret that Mr. Parker is going to leave us, as he is one among our best citizens.

One of the heaviest rains in the experience of the people of this neighborhood in several years, fell about 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon. The rain came down in sheets for a few minutes and ground was covered with water.

Henry Karstens has been laid up for several days with a very sore hand. He had the doctor to lance it Saturday and is now resting easy.

S. J. Parks, a former resident of Soap Creek, died at his home near Saddle Butte, Lincoln county, Friday, aged 34 years. He leaves a wife and mother to

mourn his death. He was laid to rest Saturday, in the Albany cemetery under the auspices of the Odd Fellows. He held a membership in the "Twenty-five Haunted."

Laurence Congill, of Albany, was visiting friends here Saturday.

LEFT "BUDDY" AS SECURITY

Two Weary Countrymen Get Much-Needed Funds from Astonished Pawnbroker.

Two weary countrymen entered a pawn broker's establishment near the Broad Street station, says the Philadelphia Record. Each had hold of one end of a very cheap-looking trunk.

"We want two dollars," said the spokesman of the pair. "What's in the trunk?" they were asked. "Oh, nothing worth anything," was the reply. "But we are broke, and one of us must get to Lancaster after money and get back with it this afternoon for sure. If the trunk is not worth two dollars this buddy of mine will sit on it here, until I get back, and you can hold it as security." The pawnbroker was so astonished at this proposition that he broke all the rules of his establishment and gave up the sum demanded. One of the countrymen at once made a rapid break for the railroad station, while the other, despite the broker's protest that it wasn't necessary, sat phlegmatically on the trunk until seven hours had passed and his friend came in triumphantly with a fat roll of bills.

WHY WE WALK IN CIRCLES.

Reason for Leaving Straight Course When Lost Explained by a Biologist.

"Men lost in a fog or in a forest or in a desert walk in circles because one leg is longer than the other," said a biologist. "If you take a number of men and measure them you will find them to be uneven. Not more than seven or eight per cent. will have legs of equal length. About 30 per cent. will have the left leg longer than the right and 60 per cent. will have the right leg longer than the left. He whose left leg is the longer will, on getting lost, make a circle to the left. A longer right leg causes a right circle. In walking, you see, we make V's. Each leg moves forward and outward. The leg that is longer necessarily makes the longer step, and this longer step necessarily goes further outward than the other. Hence when we are lost we circle to the left or right, according to the legs' inequality."

SIGNS OF FAILING VISION.

When your eyes tire in reading, when you frown or partly close the eyes when looking at an object; when things "swim" or become dim after being looked at for some time; when the eyes ache, smart, or water; or when you have pain in the eyeball, orbit, temples or forehead.

All the conditions are curable by proper glasses, such as we will furnish you after a scientific examination.

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Room 12, over First National Bank

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Our new Spring Stock of Go-carts is here.

They are the latest styles—folding and reclining—and above all, they are cheap.

In Wall Paper we have some Nice New Patterns.

A glance at our racks will convince you that our stock is large and complete—a fair quality for 5 cents and 10 cents per double roll.

You Will Want Carpets, Too.

We can sell you a good quality (not the best) at 30 cents per yard, sewed and laid without extra cost. Come and see.

Trunks, Valises, Washers, Wringers and SECOND-HAND GOODS

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