

## CITIZENS' LEAGUE.

Annual Meeting for Election of Officers Held Last Monday Evening.

The Benton County Citizens' League held its regular meeting in the county court room last Monday evening, April 3rd. It being the regular time for the election of officers, the following named business men were duly elected by a unanimous vote of the league: B. W. Johnson, president; J. A. Harper, 1st vice-president; J. H. Simpson, 2nd vice-president; John F. Allen, secretary, and Walter Wiles, treasurer.

A great many important business matters were freely discussed by the members and many plans were laid for developing and advertising the undeveloped wealth, healthfulness and grand climate of Benton county. The league has done much in the past for Corvallis and Benton county, and a vigorous effort will be made the coming "Lewis and Clark" year to make Benton county the most prominent county in the State of Oregon. We have the best county already, and the Citizens' League proposes to advertise it so to the million people who will visit our Fair and state this summer.

What we want is the support of every business man in Corvallis and Benton county. In the past a few have had to do all the work—all are wanted to lend a hand in future. "In Unity There is Strength," and if we all get our shoulder to the wheel we can bring and locate in Benton county within the next year and a-half at least 10,000 people.

Why some of the business men should be so dead to their own interests is a puzzle to many. As you increase your population you increase your business as well as the value of your own property, and all it takes to put Benton at the top notch is united effort.

There are at present 10,000 people coming to Oregon each month. These people are home-seekers; the greater part of these people are locating in the state somewhere. Is Benton county getting her share? No! We are being outdone by our sister counties merely because we are not making sufficient effort.

With a farming county that can't be beaten; a perfect soil for growing alfalfa, a paradise for fruit growers, and the best institutions of learning in the state, a complete system of telephones all over the county, second to none; with two railroads and river transportation connecting us with the Pacific ocean, the gateway of the Orient; four rural mail deliveries, a mountain water plant proposed; a gentle sea breeze from the Pacific ocean, which keeps the air pure and makes this one of the healthiest towns on the coast, and a climate equal to that of any state in the Union, why should we not tell to the world the truth?

There is a meeting of the league called for next Tuesday evening, April 11th, at 7:30 p. m., at the City Hall, and every business man in Corvallis and Benton county is earnestly requested to be present and join with us to make the league a potent factor toward the up-building of Benton county and the great State of Oregon.

## Utah Will Participate.

Utah has decided to erect a state building at the Lewis and Clark Exposition. Such was the conclusion of the commission after an inspection of the Exposition grounds and the selection of a site. The structure will be ideally located, just north of the New York building and on the slope of Lakeview Terrace. It is planned to erect a building 100 feet long and 85 feet wide. The lower floor will be

utilized for exhibition purposes, while the second story will be arranged for the reception of visitors. Fifteen thousand dollars will be expended for the building. No difficulty will be experienced in having the building completed and the exhibit installed before opening day, as the work is to begin this week.

One of the most important features of the Utah display will be a concentrator in actual operation, located in an annex. The concentrator will cost \$10,000 and will be one of the most novel displays of the entire Fair. Four men will be required to operate it. It will show the process of refining gold, silver and copper, from the time the crude ore is turned in until it comes out as refined metal. The rocks containing the minerals will first be crushed and then the different ingredients will be separated, all within the view of the visitors to the Centennial.

## Fine Program Promised.

Miss Mae Pollock, who has charge of the School of Expression at Dallas College, will appear in a program at the M. E. Church this evening in a number of specialties. Miss Pollock is an old-time friend of Mrs. G. H. Feese and her home prior to coming to Oregon was in Kansas. She was also at the head of a department of elocution in Pueblo, Colorado, at one time. The following interesting program will be given:

- An Object of Love.....Mary E Wilkins (Character Sketch)
- Music
- Good-bye, God Bless You.....Eugene Fields
- Mariah's Mor'nin'.....Ruth McEnery Stewart
- Music
- There Were Ninty and Nine.....Richard Harding Davis
- Music
- Pillar Fight.....D. A. Ellsworth
- A Boy's Conclusion.....Anon
- Old Glory.....James Whitcomb Riley
- How Deacon Tubman and Parson Whitney Spent the Day.....D. H. H. Murray

## Summit.

Summit Literary Society held a very interesting session Saturday evening. Mark Caves was re-elected president.

Miss Margaret Owens passed through this place, Sunday, enroute to her home at Blodgett. She has been improving her place near Norton.

Mr. Miller, of Shedd, has been engaged to teach our school. He has purchased the right to the J. H. Crain homestead.

Mrs. Alene Post entertained her sisters from Blodgett, Sunday.

Wm. Gellatly was here, Saturday buying mohair and talking up the interests of the Independent Telephone.

Miss Whitney, of Blodgett, accompanied by her aunt, walked so this place one day last week, making the round trip of ten miles.

Otis and Bert Hill are again at home, having just completed a large contract of cord wood near Corvallis.

Tunnel No. 3 has been giving serious trouble. The O. & E. officials were here to consider what should be done about the matter.

The telephone line between Hoskins and this place was finished Monday evening. We are informed that about all the ranchers have put in phones.

Cas Harrison has gone to Cincinnati, to make contracts for the coming season's cascara, thus saving the commission men's profit. He expects to employ quite a force of bark peelers in the Washington woods.

## The Coming Gollapse.

The collapse of the capitalist system within a few years is inevitable. Those who desire to adjust themselves to the coming changes should read the New Dispensation literature. The first number of the New Dispensation series, "THE FREE COMMUNE," is now ready. Price 10 cents. Address J. L. JONES, Corvallis, Oregon.

## FUNDS APPORTIONED.

Each Child Looked After—The County Santa Claus.

County School Superintendent Denman has just completed the task of making the apportionment of school funds. More than \$15,000 are in the hands of Treasurer Buchanan, but only a part of this sum is apportioned in the spring—only \$7,839 was disbursed by Superintendent Denman in the work completed last Monday. Each child was allotted \$3. This sum was apportioned according to the number of children of school age in each district, as follows:

Dist. No. 1.....	141
" " 2.....	12
" " 3.....	156
" " 4.....	132
" " 5.....	96
" " 6.....	90
" " 7.....	36
" " 8.....	132
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" " 10.....	27
" " 11.....	78
" " 12.....	126
" " 13.....	123
" " 14.....	78
" " 15.....	90
" " 16.....	36
" " 17.....	750
" " 18.....	36
" " 19.....	114
" " 20.....	168
" " 21.....	66
" " 22.....	81
" " 23.....	255
" " 24.....	39
" " 25.....	198
" " 26.....	123
" " 27.....	93
" " 28.....	6
" " 29.....	57
" " 31.....	60
" " 32.....	42
" " 36.....	132
" " 41.....	99
" " 42.....	132
" " 43.....	231
" " 45.....	78
" " 46.....	6
" " 48.....	99
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" " 50.....	63
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" " 72.....	93
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" " 81.....	33
" " 83.....	51
" " 85.....	42
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" " 94.....	57
" " 95.....	42
" " 96.....	87
" " 97.....	105
Five (joint).....	30

## Talk Regarding Case.

The entire stock of J. K. Berry, taken charge of last Saturday evening by Sheriff Burnett on complaint and writ of attachment on authority of A. W. Fischer, has been invoiced and removed to the court house by the sheriff. Occurring just at this season of the year Mr. Berry finds himself peculiarly placed. The matter will come before the November term of circuit court, and the intervening months are the ones for doing business in the bicycle line; so this makes it pretty hard on Mr. Berry. Just what he shall do in the future he is not determined.

From what we can learn, it seems that something more than one year ago Mr. Berry and Mr. Fischer joined issues and purchased an automobile, the price of which was in the neighborhood of \$600. Mr. Berry did not at that time possess the means to pay for his half of the wheel, so Mr. Fischer advanced Mr. Berry \$300 and took a note for the same. Later, Mr. Fischer sold his interest in the wheel to Berry and received another note for something like \$300. The first note came due and was paid by a renewal, or another note.

It is claimed by those possessed in the matter, that neither of the last notes are yet due. It is an old saying that you can't put a man in jail for debt, and on this line, should our information be

be correct, it might be said that a man could not be sued for a note which is not due. This case will be an interesting one when it comes up for trial. W. E. Yates is Mr. Fischer's attorney and E. R. Bryson has been retained by Mr. Berry.

## Oak Grove.

School closed Friday in District No. 4. The late cold rains and frosts seems not to have hurt the fruit to any great extent.

The roads are in much better condition than they have been at this time of the season for many years.

Mrs. Martha Cady is spending a few days at her girlhood home in Kings Valley.

Frank Holman had the misfortune to lose a \$200 mare last Friday.

Miss Alvena Vass spent Sunday with her parents, who reside in Albany.

Mrs. S. P. Lawrenson and children spent Friday and Saturday with relatives in Albany, returning home Sunday.

Work on the steel bridge was resumed Tuesday morning and will be continued until the north approach is completed, which will take several days.

Mrs. P. R. Williamson, who has been staying with her daughter, Mrs. N. D. Pettyman, for the last four months, returned to her home last Sunday.

Charles Benson left for Portland, Thursday, where he goes for medical aid. He returned home from the hospital some two weeks ago, thinking he was on the road to recovery, but he began to grow worse, hence his return.

George Beamis, who was badly hurt in a runaway mix-up on the Albany steel bridge last week, and was seriously hurt, is getting along very well and expects to be able in a few days to be moved home. He is at present with his son in Albany, where he is receiving the best of care.

Dr. Bailey who resides in Job's Addition, came down, Thursday, and has been visiting with his son, Robert. He has rented a house here and aims to move down the fore part of the week to reside during the summer. The doctor has been on the sick list for the last six weeks, and thinks a change to the country may prove beneficial to his health.

Peter Karstens celebrated his 57th birthday last Tuesday evening by inviting in a few of his friends to partake of the good things that he had prepared for the occasion. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Anthony, Mr. and Mrs. Hanson, Mr. and Mrs. Abraham, Mr. and Mrs. Lypner. The good time lasted until 4 o'clock in the morning.

The wife of W. F. Lawner has been very low with pneumonia for several days. Mrs. Lawner is a very delicate woman and may not be able to overcome the dreaded disease which proves fatal in so many cases.

## COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE.

### MONROE.

School will close here Friday, April 7th. Rose Mathews is now teaching school at Harmony.

Bert La Martin is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Garlinghouse.

The recent rise of water was too high to furnish power for the light plant.

The boys living near here have been playing ball the past few Sundays.

E. H. Belknap and family and Mr. and Mrs. Kyle attended church here Sunday.

Mrs. Reed is now living in town, taking care of Lawrence William's children.

Mrs. Dolph Emerick, of Corvallis, is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pfouts.

Mrs. Garlinghouse was in town Monday for the first time since her recovery from paralysis.

R. Brabram's wife is getting along nicely after a serious illness, but is not nearly recovered.

Misses Edith and Eva Martin returned home Sunday from Portland where they have spent the winter.

The Hinton bill has had a number of acres slashed this winter and is beginning to look bare from town.

E. Brimmer is getting well along with his contract work, and he has now another house to build for Mr. Maccabe, but will not commence it before June 1st.

### BEAVER CREEK.

Mr. Geo. Williamson is at present employed at the Wilkinson farm.

Sherman Gleason was in Albany last Friday on business.

Mr. Weed, of Philomath, returned to his timber claim one day last week.

Miss Grace Starr was visiting friends on Beaver creek last week.

Last Saturday the fishing season opened and fishermen were out in full force. Peter Rickard lost a very fine coit one night last week; paused by the halter rope being too long.

Andrew Ireland returned to Polk county last Monday after a short visit with his parents.

Ira Hines, of Monroe, was visiting his cousins, the Gates Brothers, last week.

School Clerk Thos. Heeley was around taking school census last week.

Mrs. G. A. Peterson, who has been ill of late, is now steadily improving.

Luther Woodruff, of Philomath, was visiting friends on Beaver creek one day last week.

## A Thousand Dollar's Worth of Good.

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