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THE CLUB CASE.

One Convicted and One Acquitted.

Since last August our city has discussed pro and con matters regarding the establishment and maintenance within this city of an organization known as the Corvallis Social and Athletic Club. Since its formation many cases were brought in the justice court against the officers of the club, as is well known to our readers. All the cases were conducted by Deputy District Prosecuting Attorney Bryson, of this city, on the part of the state.

In the various cases brought in the justice court appeals were taken and as a result they came up for a hearing before Judge L. T. Harris during this term of the circuit court for Benton county. The defendants in the case made a plea for a change of venue, but after duly considering the matter Judge Harris refused to grant the change and as a result the case of the State vs. Chas. M. Kline and Merwin McMains came up for a hearing Monday morning. The greater part of the day was consumed in examining men and ascertaining their qualifications as jurors and it was not until about eight o'clock Monday evening that the jury had been empaneled.

The judge without any loss of time at once ordered that the examination of witnesses commence and court continued until between 9 and 10 o'clock that night when it adjourned until 9 a. m. Tuesday. Promptly at the appointed time court was in session and the examination of witnesses proceeded. During the afternoon of Tuesday the evidence was all submitted and the attorneys for the prosecution and defense began their arguments and pleas. Tuesday everything was closed and it only remained for the judge to charge the jury.

Wednesday morning when court convened Judge Harris instructed the jury and the instructions are spoken of as both profound and fair. The jurymen were out about an hour when they returned a verdict, according to which Merwin McMains was acquitted while Chas. M. Kline was convicted on the charge of selling or giving intoxicating liquors. The judge set the hour for passing sentence at five o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

On all sides we hear nothing but favorable comment of Judge Harris' ability and fairness in presiding over court during this trial. Attorney Bryson has devoted an immense amount of time to this case at personal sacrifice and has done his utmost in behalf of the state. He was ably assisted by District Prosecuting Attorney Brown. The defense was conducted by J. R. Wyatt, an able attorney of Albany. The following gentlemen composed the jury: J. B. Arrants, J. W. Buster, John Cresswell, R. H. Colbert, J. B. Anderson, M. L. Barnett, J. L. Caton, T. A. Logsdon, Ben Martin and E. J. Harrington.

Death of Stranger.

An authenticated report comes from the Fall Creek country in Alsea, of the sudden death of a stranger, who begged lodging Tuesday night at the home of Charley Menotti. It seems that this man, aged about 60 years, went to bed that evening in apparent good health. Wednesday morning, at the breakfast hour he was found dead and it is thought that heart failure was the immediate cause.

No identification papers were found on his person, save a physician's certificate of examination for the Modern Woodman lodge, bearing the year date 1891, and issued in North Dakota. The

signature thereto is A. R. Morander.

Word was sent to the county judge of Lincoln county, who gave orders for the burial of the body at Tidewater.

Woman's Work.

One of the most important factors in the Home Mission work of the M. E. church, South, is that of the Baby Roll. Anyone for the modest sum of twenty-five cents may place the name of a child under 5 years of age on the Roll. The little one receives a neat certificate and a mite box. The child is thus taught early in life to give to missions and the sum gathered from these tiny mite boxes last year amounted to \$1,619.51.

Corvallis Auxiliary held an interesting meeting in the church, Tuesday afternoon.

The treasurer of the Willamette District reported for quarter ending December 1, \$290, raised for connectional and local work.

EXCURSION TO CALIFORNIA.

Under the Auspices of the Oregon Development League.

Secretary Tom Richardson, of the Oregon Development League, is very anxious that the state at large should be well represented on this excursion. The party, which will be composed of ladies and gentlemen, leaves Portland at midnight, January 13, 1906, stops at Sacramento, San Francisco, Palo Alto, San Jose, Paso Robles, Santa Barbara and Los Angeles. Special entertainment will accord the party at these points. The rate from Portland will be \$63 for one person, which includes three meals to be served on diner between Portland and Sacramento, and Pullman berth to Los Angeles. A rate of \$58 will be charged where two people occupy a double berth. A deposit of \$25 is necessary on each ticket to secure reservation. Section reservations will be held until December 25th. This is an excellent opportunity to visit California, as the auspices under which it is given insures a most enjoyable outing.

The excursion is to be run only provided that not less than 125 persons make the trip. All communications in reference to reservations, and to the trip in general, should be addressed to Mr. Tom Richardson, Manager Portland Commercial Club, Portland, Oregon.

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LETTER LIST.

The following letters remain uncalled for in the Corvallis postoffice, for the week ending Dec. 23, 1905:

Allen Slack & Co, Mrs George Bell, Mrs Anna Bell, S H Brown, May Flint Cardwell, N Dixon, Una Davis, T L Foster, Leonard Hadley, Mrs Neta Hone, Carl Moreland, Mrs Edith Price, R J Stone, Mamie Spieshaert, J C Noxel, Mrs Charlie Wright, M W Young(3).

B. W. JOHNSON, P. M.

Furious Fighting.

"For seven years" writes Geo. H. Hoffman, of Harper, Wash., "I had a bitter battle with chronic stomach and liver trouble, but at last I won, and cured my diseases, by the use of Electric Bitters. I unhesitatingly recommend them to all and don't intend in the future to be without them in the house. They are certainly a wonderful medicine, to have cured such a bad case as mine." Sold under guarantee to do the same for you, by Allen & Woodward druggists, at 50c a bottle. Try them today.

At 5 o'clock Wednesday evening Judge Harris passed sentence on Chas. M. Kline in accordance with the findings of the jury that heard the evidence in the case. By the terms of the sentence Mr. Kline is to pay a fine of \$400 and costs of this case in both the justice and circuit courts, and pass thirty days in jail. Notice of an appeal was given and Mr. Kline's bond fixed at \$1,000.

Torture of a Preacher.

The story of the torture of Rev. O. D. Moore, pastor of the Baptist church of Harpersville, N. Y., will interest you. He says: "I suffered agonies, because of a persistent cough, resulting from the grip. I had to sleep sitting up in bed. I tried many remedies, without relief, until I took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, which entirely cured my cough, and saved me from consumption." A grand cure for diseased conditions of Throat and Lungs. At Allen & Woodward druggists. 50c \$1.00, guaranteed. Trial bottle free.

TO HELP THE VALLEY.

Four-Foot Channel to Corvallis and Free Locks.

The following from a metropolitan paper proves that the commercial bodies of Portland are waking up to a sense of true conditions and are favorably inclined to assist in the development of transportation on the Willamette river from Corvallis to Portland:

State or Federal ownership of the Oregon City locks and four-foot channel from Portland to Corvallis are the results the Board of Trade will seek to realize during the next year.

The importance of the two improvements to the Willamette valley has not been lost sight of by the organization, and while the progress which has been made was known only to the members of the executive bodies, a strong start has been given the two movements. It is asserted that the prospects are exceptionally bright for the introduction of a measure at the next session of the Oregon legislature, which will have for its object the freedom of the locks.

The legislative committee of the board, which has not been appointed for the ensuing year, is to be formed with a view to handling the free locks question in the best possible manner. Strength will be gathered in the valley, where the agitation is paramount to anything else now before the residents of the state, and the combined help of every legislator is expected.

Wallis Nash, president of the Board of Trade, is regarded a strong man for that position, so far as the lock question is concerned, for he has enjoyed a wide experience in the operation of steamers on the upper Willamette, and his associates look upon him as one thoroughly familiar with the needs of navigation on that part of the stream. With the support of President Nash assured, the committee's work will be facilitated, so that when the legislature is convened the matter will be in shape for presentation.

"The question of open locks at Oregon City came up yesterday at the meeting of the Willamette Valley Development League, and the general sentiment was decidedly favorable to it," said Mr. Nash, reviewing the question today. "Governor Chamberlain expressed himself as convinced that Federal or state ownership was the proper remedy, and Captain Graham, of the Oregon City Transportation Company, presented figures showing that since the locks were completed the owners had reaped from the state at large the munificent sum of \$3,000,000. The company alone pays an average of \$10,000 a year for the toll charges, and this, of course, is in turn made up by shippers and passengers. Speaking of the channel between this city and Corvallis, Captain Graham said the steamboat men had agreed that the wingdam system was not to be compared with the results obtained by dredging, as it had been conducted during the past two seasons, and he thought a four-foot channel was all that was needed.

"This is not all that the board will undertake to do in 1906, however. We propose to organize the different trades of the city, as associations or exchanges, so that each may help the other. The next step to be presented for the approval of the executive committee, is the question of holding open meetings every two weeks, at which one of the 12 permanent committees will have charge. The committees represent different lines, and the body under the auspices of which the gatherings are conducted, will arrange for speakers, papers and demonstrations on the particular subject to be treated. This system promises to be productive of

much good. Assessment and taxation, river and rail transportation, ocean commerce and kindred subjects will be taken up in turn, and we will try to popularize the features on their merits.

"Probably one of the most important aims of the Board of Trade is to locate industries, not only in this vicinity, but anywhere in Oregon where conditions are the most adaptable. We are now in correspondence with several capitalists regarding projects of inestimable importance. Besides, we maintain a steady communication with homeseekers, and through our efforts many settlers are brought to Oregon."

COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE.

BEAVER CREEK.

Sherman Gleason was a Corvallis visitor last Monday.

Mr. Parrish, of Sodaville, visited a few days last week with his sister, Mrs. J. S. Ireland, and family.

A flock of sheep belonging to Galis Bros. have been recently visited by a bunch of sheep-killing dogs.

Mr. and Mrs. Duffy, of Corvallis, are at present visiting friends on Beaver Creek.

Roy Dunn was visiting friends on Beaver Creek a few days ago.

Mr. Gove, who recently purchased the Gleason saw mill, has been making some extensive repairs on the mill dam.

Mr. Ireland, who is one of the jurors from this precinct, is at present in Corvallis attending court.

Mr. Gibbons, of the Philomath meat market, was looking for fat cattle on Beaver Creek one day this week.

BELLOUFOUNTAIN.

Last week A. P. Starr bought a registered Jersey bull from the herd of David Looney, of Jefferson. The dairy business is growing in the southern part of the county.

Wayne Wheelton, of Linn county, spent last Sunday with his uncle here. While here he bought Frank Dingess' black driving team.

There has been a number of sheep killed here lately. The main question is, dogs or coyotes?

Grandfather Edwards is spending a few days in Philomath, visiting Rev. Kenoyer, a pioneer minister of the U. B. church. They crossed the plains at the same time, 52 years ago, in the days when 6 months was required to cover the distance. Rev. Kenoyer lives in the Walls Walla country, Washington.

Arrangements have been made for the immediate construction of three new telephone lines into Bellefontaine, carrying from 8 to 12 phones to a line.

Frank Bennett, representing some company, is securing right of way for an electric or motor line from Corvallis by way of the foothills to the south line of the county. Faith in the movement is growing.

Some live or current question is put to rest every time the literary society meets. Many of the subjects for legislation will have been passed upon before the next regular session.

The Sunday School and Endeavor societies, under capable leaders, are growing in numbers and interest, which is an inspiration to the whole community.

EXTRA INDUCEMENTS For the Holiday Trade

We are now comfortably located in our new and large quarters on north Main street in the Fischer building. Our stock is new in every line and very complete. During the next thirty days there will be special inducements for the public to trade here. Unmatchable bargains in every department. Come.

Groceries, Shoes, Ladies' Dress Goods, Men's and Children's Clothing, Dishes, Fancy Lamps, Cutlery, Crockery, Etc.

Toys For the Little Folk

Lay in a supply now--while the stock is unbroken. Bring the little children and let them suggest what Santa Claus shall provide. The variety is great and prices are low.

Silverware Free with cash purchases. Goods delivered to all parts of the city at all hours of the day.

MOSES BROTHERS

Christmas and New Year Beautiful GIFTS Lovely Jewelry Silverware

The Holiday Season is near at hand--time to think about your friends. This store is full of good suggestions and we invite you to inspect the large stock of magnificent holiday offerings.

A FIFTY DOLLAR DIAMOND RING. Some one will get this ring for nothing next January. For every dollar purchase you get a ticket. Ask us to explain. E. W. S. PRATT, Jeweler and Optician.

JANUARY 2, 1906

the special class in Eclectic Shorthand will commence a rapid course with two, three recitations a day so as to complete the course

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with a speed of 100 to 150 words a minute. Eclectic is easy to learn, none as easy to read and none so rapid.

We want thirty students

to enter this class not later than January 2, and we will make 20 per cent. discount to those who enroll December 21; commence any time thereafter. Let us talk it over at once.

Corvallis Business College

I. E. RICHARDSON, President

Buyers of Furniture

Don't miss the opportunity to look over our large line this week. Matchless bargains in rugs and art squares. Some very pretty Axministers added to our already large stock. It is not too early to select your presents

And Christmas Goods

We have a large and well selected stock bought expressly for the holiday trade. Goods will be marked and stored until Christmas if desired. Another invoice of pictures arrives this week.

Come in and see us

Hollenberg & Cadv, Corvallis