

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Judge L. T. Harris was down from Eugene, Tuesday, attending matters of business.

Ed Greffoz was over from Crawfordsville, Tuesday, attending some matters of business.

Dr. Dayton, the eye specialist, will have his office at the Hotel Corvallis, Saturday, February 3. Eyes examined free.

From the preparations that have been made for the Workman smoker this evening there is no doubt of a good time for those who attend.

The Bible school of the Presbyterian church is preparing an excellent program for the evening of Washington's birthday. The subject is "The Price of Patriotism."

Amos Kisor came out from Siletz, where he has passed the winter, Wednesday. He is visiting his mother and two sisters in this city, but will return to Siletz tomorrow.

Joseph Garrow arrived in Corvallis, Monday evening, from Salem. His business here was purely of a social nature—a visit with home folks. He expected to return to Salem yesterday.

This, Friday, evening there is to be an entertainment for the Juniors at the M. E. church. On this occasion the matter of "Seeing the Signs of New York" will be discussed by Rev. Feese.

Sheriff Burnett was taken ill again since his return from Portland a few days ago and during the week has been confined to his home a couple of days. Telt is certainly having a hard time.

Alex Rennie, the well-known salesman of J. M. Nolan & Son, has been quite ill of late and has been bedfast. There is thought not to be anything serious in his case to cause much uneasiness and it is hoped he will soon be about again.

Mayor A. J. Johnson arrived home a day or two ago from Eastern Oregon and Idaho, where he had been called in the capacity of national bank inspector. Mr. Johnson expects to spend a couple of weeks at home ere again being compelled to go abroad.

Mrs Lucy Tiedeman died at her home in Portland, Sunday morning, and the remains were interred in that city Tuesday. Mrs. Tiedeman was a sister of Mrs. Phillip Phile, of this city. On account of not being well the latter could not attend the funeral.

Sunday evening the subject of discourse of Rev. Feese at the M. E. church will be "The Language and Power of the Ear—the Soul's Receiver." This is the second of a series of sermons on the five senses, their missions and what affects them. In the morning will be the Lord's Supper—sacrament.

Prof. J. B. Horner and others came out from Newport during the first of the week. He reports that some party or parties have been breaking into cottages in "Newport by the sea," among others the professor's. The authorities over there are very alert in the matter, but so far have been outwitted in the game.

J. H. Albright has sold his property in this city to a Mr. Earnest, a comparatively newcomer. Wednesday Mr. Albright and his family took their departure for Portland, where they are to reside. Corvallis has been the home of these people for many years and during this time they have won many friends who hope for their success in their new field.

Tuesday, while riding after cattle in company with her stepfather, Joseph Edwards, Miss Josie Beuhm was thrown from her horse and had one of her legs broken a few inches above the ankle. This accident occurred near the family home in Southern Benton. Dr. Bennett was hastily summoned and reduced the fracture and the young lady is reported to be getting along nicely.

Oregon's senior senator, C. W. Fulton, has become one of the most ardent good roads champions in the City of Washington. When the Federal government made an offer, through Samuel Hill, to place two miles of thoroughly modern road in Oregon, at such place as the senator would suggest, the latter named Pendleton and Salem, as central for the two great divisions of the state. Arrangements are being made to have a mile of road built at each place, the counties to furnish the labor and the material, while the government will provide the machinery and furnish six or seven experts to see that the work is up to the standard that has been established. Senator Fulton is urging the county commissioners of every state to attend this work, and hopes that the government's offer will result in great educational influence. The date of doing the work will be announced later.

The ladies of the Coffee Club have arranged to give a dance in Fireman's hall tomorrow night.

Rev. J. R. N. Bell is to preach in college chapel Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

This is "ground hog day." Trot out your ground hogs. We can't help feeling that this should be a holiday, but it ain't.

Yesterday, February 1st, was an ideal day in this part of the world. The sun would almost move the wabbles in a cow's back.

Services at the Christian church next Sunday morning as usual. Chas. Curtis, of the Eugene Divinity school, will occupy the pulpit.

A good deal of bowling is being done nowadays at the college alleys. These alleys were recently overhauled and put in good condition.

Baptist church, Sunday school at ten; Divine service at eleven; B. Y. P. U. at 6:30. Mr. Wilson will preach at the 7:30 service. All are invited.

At the United Evangelical Church, Sunday, the pastor, C. T. Hurd, will preach. Morning subject, "The Other Side." Evening subject, "The Light of Life."

There will be a Sunday school rally at the First M. E. church during the regular Sunday school hour next Sunday morning. The parents are earnestly urged to be present.

When J. M. Porter was around yesterday morning collecting for the Electric Light Company he announced that it was his last visit in that capacity. Hereafter G. A. Clark will do the collecting for the company.

Remember that there is to be an exciting game of basketball at the Armory this evening between the Monmouth and OAC girls. A motor is to make the run from Monmouth and Independence to this city to bring a large crowd of rooters for the visiting team.

Presbyterian church, M. S. Bush, pastor; Bible School 10 a. m.; Worship 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. J. R. N. Bell, of Baker City, will preach at both services and the public is invited to hear this interesting speaker. Rev. Bell also preaches each evening except Saturday.

A basket social is to be given at Willamette grange hall, tomorrow night. There is to be an enjoyable program of a musical and literary nature, which will begin at 7:30. A sale of baskets will follow the program. A splendid time is guaranteed and everyone will be made most welcome.

Wednesday morning the 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wood, of B'dgett, fell into a wash tub full of water and was drowned. All the particulars could not be ascertained, but we are informed that the remains are to be interred today in the Kings Valley cemetery. This was certainly a sad accident.

As a general thing it is customary for the father or mother of a child who does not appear at school as usual, to send an excuse. Some of the reasons assigned are funny, but here we have comedy and tragedy combined: "Dear Teacher: Samuel cannot come to school this afternoon as he has glued his head to the dresser, and we have not been able to separate them yet."

The story has been handed down through a couple of centuries that when Ben Franklin's future mother-in-law discovered that the young man was "wooing" her daughter she was much worried over the matter. The printing business did not look good to the matron and, moreover, there were two printing offices already in the United States, which seemed to be all the country would support.

Congregational church, Sunday School at 10; Class for Young Men 10; Worship and Sermon 11; Junior Endeavor 2; Senior Endeavor 6:30; Vespers and Sermon 6:30 p. m. Morning sermon, "The Movements in the Tops of the Mulberry Trees." Evening sermon, "A Great Soothsayer; a Great Enchanter; a Great Prophet; Yet a Deplorable Failure." Special music all the time.

In the opinions of some men, there is danger of too early a spring. "Pussy" willows are already budding out and there are other evidences that the recent warm weather for this season of the year has been effective. Grain has been growing pretty rapidly the past week. From certain sections we have geese going north; this is a most unusual thing for this season of the year. We would welcome the balmy weather of regulation Oregon spring were it not for the possibility of having a cold snap, or frosty weather later, that would damage our fruit prospects.

Items of Registration.

It is a fact that registration of voters is a slow proposition as is proved by the books at the clerk's office. Why is this? There is an evidence of more interest on the part of the older men than is taken by the younger generation of voters. Up to yesterday morning only 18 men of the age of 25 years or under had registered in the two main parties; of these 13 were republicans and 5 democrats.

We find that 16 men of the age of 70 years or over have registered—6 democratic and 10 republican. In this connection it may be said that above the age of 75 years they were all democratic with one exception.

The total registration up to yesterday morning was 347. Of these 187 were republicans; 132 democrats; 10 registered independent; 8 stated that they were socialists; 7 registered as prohibitionist; 3 registered as nothing, refusing to go on record for any political affiliation. This makes the total registration to date 347, not counting a few blank "A's" from the country. This is a poor showing for the date and our voters should take more interest in the matter.

We find that in the registration to date that the republicans have a majority of 55 over the democrats. Counting the total vote cast in the county and taking the above figures as a basis the republican majority over the democrats in Benton this year will be from 300 to 350. Two years ago, taking the vote cast for state offices as a basis the republicans had the better of it to the extent of about 275.

In the four Corvallis precincts 250 are registered.

Now is the Time.

For pruning your fruit trees and spraying this is the proper time. In fact, right now is the time it should be done. Some of our orchardists are already at the work of pruning, and spraying as well. Get the old, decayed, moss-covered wood out of your orchard. It never did any good to allow it to remain on a tree and never will. It is a hotbed for all sorts of pests and breeds disease to the whole tree, or the entire orchard for that matter.

If you desire to spray for San Jose scale, now is the time such work will be most effective. To spray next summer will do little or no good so far as San Jose scale on this year's fruit is concerned. It may exterminate codlin moths and the like, but if you are after San Jose scale, get busy at once. There is no time like the present.

The indications are that there will be a number of men outfit for the work of spraying and it will not be necessary for everyone who has an orchard to go to the expense of preparing for the work. For all who need any advice Prof. A. B. Cordley, of OAC, who has been appointed fruit inspector for this county, will take pleasure in rendering this assistance. So will Robert Johnson, of this city, who is prominently identified with the fruit interests of Benton, do all in his power to assist in the work of starting those who undertake to spray.

After Two Centuries.

On the 17th day of January occurred bicentenary of Benjamin Franklin, says the Scientific American. Not only has posterity assigned to him his rightful position among the greatest and ablest of Americans, but foreigners as well early recognized those qualities of his masterly intellect which placed him among the foremost statesmen and men of science and letters. Undoubtedly his fame rests chiefly upon his public career, his services to his country as a statesman, diplomat, and patriot. An historical figure of international fame, his scientific attainments are overshadowed by his political eminence. And yet, the results of his scientific researches and investigations easily place him in the very

front rank of scientific men of the world.

Few of us, indeed, have a proper appreciation of Franklin's work in natural philosophy and electricity. It is true that his classic experiment to prove the identity of lightning and electricity is known the world over; but so general is the ignorance of his other scientific labors, that this great discovery is often regarded merely as a fortuitous and chance occurrence. The utter absurdity of this belief needs no further proof than even slight acquaintance with his painstaking and unremitting study in this as well as other directions; and it is unquestionably true that this experiment was not the origin of a theory, but that it was the culminating test of a line of theoretical reasoning and investigation. Franklin's interest in things scientific was limited in range only by the limits of the knowledge of the time. His splendid versatility and intense interest in all phases of human endeavor led him into branches of knowledge where his remarkably practical mind and sound judgment produced contributions to science of undisputed value. So, his early investigations of chimney drafts were soon followed by the invention of a stove, which embodied the principles of the modern hot-air furnace and other devices of like character.

Additional Local.

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Wednesday morning the little daughter of J. A. Bottger, of Summit, died of cerebral meningitis. Interment was made yesterday. The child was between four and five years old.

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The following musical selections will be given in the Congregational church Sunday: Morning service, solo by Mrs. C. E. Peterson; Response by the full choir. Evening service, The Te Deum Laudamus by the full choir; trio and quartette parts by Mrs. Frederick Berchtold, Miss von der Hellen, Hugh-s and Tyler. Anthem, "Let All Zion Rejoice," by the full choir. Duet by Miss Allen and Mr. Knapp.

Young people should enroll in the Day and Night school in the Business College. New classes are formed the first Monday of each month—you should enroll at once. 12-13

Name Not "Maud".

Hon. William Taylor, of MacLay, was in the city Saturday and reported having had a very exciting time recently, says the Salem Statesman. Hearing a wild roar among his family of canines, he grabbed his gun and struck out across lots to head off what he supposed was at least a bear. He finally sighted the animal, which was making a gay run for cover. It was a strange animal in these parts, being very loose and gangling of limb, long on earlaps and shy of caudal appendage. Mr. Taylor, however, nothing daunted at the strangeness of the animal's appearance, let go with his gun bringing it down. After carefully approaching and assuring himself that it was really dead and that it's name was not "Maud," he made a careful examination of the "critter" and found it to be what is said to have been the first rabbit of the "jack-ass" variety ever killed in Marion county. It is supposed to have found life, too scientific in Benton county, where a colony of these members of the Lepus Californicus are said to have their habitat. In fact, it is presumed the scientific destruction of all such animals as are taught in the State Agricultural College was too much for this fellow, and he came over to Marion county.

P. S.—This is not a campaign story!

Itch—Ringworm.

E. T. Lucas, Wingo, Ky., writes, April 25, 1902: "From ten to twelve years I had been afflicted with a malady known as the "itch". The itching was most unbearable; I had tried for years to find relief, having tried all remedies I could hear of, besides a number of doctors. I wish to state that one application of Ballard's Snow Liniment cured me completely and permanently. (Since then I have used the liniment on two separate occasions for ring worm and it cured completely. 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by Graham & Wortham.

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