



### MET FOR BUSINESS.

Want Hose Cart and Hose, to Protect Their-Houses.

Another enthusiastic meeting of Jobs addition citizens was held at R. L. Taylor's store Friday evening, to further discuss plans for securing the location of a hose cart in the western part of town. It is not right, argue these residents, that the central part of town should be the favored section and that it should be fully protected from fire while other parts of town are left to the mercy of any blaze that might be started.

A man's home in Jobs addition is entitled to just the same consideration that is shown for another man's home in the center of town or any place else, and when any favoritism is shown to certain localities, it is no more than justice that a halt should be called. Such is the trend of the discussion that is going on, and citizens in the western part of town are becoming intensely interested in the outcome. They realize that in that section they are utterly helpless, as no hose cart could be dragged from the city hall to that part of town in winter time, until a building would be gutted by the flames, and realizing this, they are making every effort to have a hose cart located somewhere in the addition, to insure protection.

At the meeting Friday night, George Denman presided and Lincoln Chambers was elected secretary. A committee was appointed to draft new by-laws for the proposed volunteer fire company. The committee consists of A. Kyle, T. T. Vincent and Charles Neckart.

Another committee consisting of Henry Cummings, T. T. Vincent and W. R. Hansell was appointed to be present at the next meeting of the council to present the matter in regard to the hose cart for the addition.

Whether an independent, volunteer fire company can be organized, or whether those wishing to serve will be obliged to join the old fire company, is not yet known to the supporters of the new project. A number of residents of the western part of town have signed up as members of the proposed volunteer company in case such an organization is perfected. The signers are: Lincoln Chambers, T. T. Vincent, Henry Cummings, Clifford Kerr, Ed Felton, Charles Heckart, Roy Price, C. Hotchkiss, J. W. Handy, W. R. Hansell, Norton Adams, A. Kyle, George Denman, Newton Adams, George Fuller, George Moore and H. Bullis.

Many others not in attendance at Friday night's meeting, have signified their desire to join the company. Another meeting is called for Friday night, when reports of the committees will be heard.

### How They Passed Over.

The following tribute to the memory of those that pass to the beyond through their fool acts is being passed around the press:

"Take a walk through any of the cemeteries throughout the country and you will believe with us that fools are slowly but surely passing away, says an exchange. With silent tread you pass the last resting place of the individual who blew into an empty gun. The modest tombstone of the girl who lighted the fire with kerosene and the grass covered mound that covers the mortal remains of the boy who took the mule by the tail is near by. The tall monument is for the man who jumped off the cars to save a ten rods' walk. Side by side lie the remains of the intellectual idiot that rode 9 miles in 10 minutes and the ethereal creature who always kept her corset laced to the last hole. Here reposes the young doctor

who took a dose of his own medicine, and the old fool who married a young wife. Over yonder in the northwest corner where the gentle breezes sigh over the weeping willow lies the fellow who told his mother-in-law she lied. Near by his grave, reposes the mouldering dust of the editor who starved to death trying to run a first-class paper in a second-class town. Further on lies the boy who went swimming too early in the season, and the lady who kept strychnine and baking powder side by side in the cupboard. And that unmarked, weed-grown grave in the dark, damp, dismal corner, by itself, is the dreary resting place of the dearest of them all—the man who didn't advertise.

### Shocking Accident.

William Clark, of Summit, met with a shocking accident Saturday morning and as a result is minus two fingers on the right hand.

Mr. Clark was working with a threshing machine some distance from home, when he received a telephone call from three to the effect that one of his horses had become mired in a mud hole in the pasture. Mr. Clark hurried home, and seeing that the case was a desperate one, he fastened a rope to the mired horse and arranged a pulley and ropes so that a team could pull out the suffering animal.

In the hurry and excitement of the moment, however, Mr. Clark allowed his hand to slip between the rope and pulley, breaking and tearing the ring finger of the right hand almost off, and horribly crushing the little finger.

The injured man came to Corvallis where a local physician amputated the mangled fingers and dressed the ugly wound.

The accident is one of those deplorable affairs of every day life from which there seems no escape, as they are constantly happening in spite of all care and watchfulness.

### Bellefontaine Briefs.

Caryl, Belle and Earl Edwards have returned from Lane county, where they had been for four weeks, working in the harvest.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Buchanan, Misses Grace and Edna Watkins and Gertrude Barclay and Messrs. Ross Barclay, Jesse Watkins and Robert Francis passed through Bellefontaine Saturday en route to Alsea on a fishing trip.

The Humphrey & Perin, and the Oaks threshers have completed their runs for the season; the Kyle-Zierolf-Taylor outfit will finish the last of the week, while the Reader machine will be out ten days longer.

Hop picking will begin in earnest the last of this week, in this locality.

H. T. Bristow begins picking his bartlett pears the first of this week. He has about an average crop.

Walter Taylor, who has been very ill for several weeks with typhoid fever, is not improved.

M. M. Waltz has just purchased a two-horse power grain chopper to chop feed for his dairy cows. He feels certain that this will prove of material benefit in his line of business.

Misses Belle, Bertha and Earl Edwards, and Clyde and Claire Starr are to enter OAC this month.

Miss Josie Benham is to go to Corvallis this winter to take a course in music.

Warren Hinton and family moved from this place to Corvallis, Friday. The place vacated by Mr. Hinton will be occupied by Emil Price the coming year.

J. T. VanBlaricom of Philomath, was a Corvallis visitor Saturday. He is to move to Lane county to take up his residence.

### PROMISE OF MUCH.

New Postoffice to be First in the Northwest.

The completion of the A. J. Johnson two-story brick will be the signal for many business changes. A fine barbershop and bathrooms will occupy a part of the basement while the remainder will be utilized as a general storage room. The bank will occupy a suit of offices on the first floor in the southwest corner of the building, while some very fine office rooms are planned for the second floor.

Perhaps the greatest change planned will be the removal of the postoffice. Mr. Johnson has been officially notified that the government has awarded him the contract to provide quarters for the local office. If quarters are established in the new brick they will be on the east side of the building, on the first floor. By this arrangement there will be an abundance of light and the alley will provide a means for getting the mail into the rear of the office, thus avoiding the necessity of taking it through the lobby.

Special Postal Representative Hall, for the Pacific coast, was here recently and looked into affairs very thoroughly. The plans and proposed equipment met with his hearty approval. The new postoffice when fitted up will beyond doubt be the finest in any city of its class in the entire Northwest. All fixtures will be placed on lines of elegance and durability, and with special attention to convenience. There will be five windows for the convenience of the public. In fact, the office will be fitted with a view to carrier service, which Postmaster Johnson thinks we will be entitled to in the course of three or four years if our postal receipts continue to increase in the future as they have in the past.

There is a possibility that Mr. Johnson will erect a separate building for the postoffice, just across the alley back of the big brick. Should he do this it will be a one-story brick, 30x80 feet. In this postoffice matter A. J. Johnson is doing much for the town, as the terms granted by the government do not warrant such an outlay of cash, so there is considerable philanthropy on our townsman's end of the contract.

### Buried Donkey Engine.

Fred Hill is well known in Corvallis, having graduated from OAC in the class of '05. His home is near Springfield, Lane county, and his father, Jasper Hill, logs on the Windbury, a tributary to Fall Creek.

Last week a fire broke out in that section and swept onward at a fierce rate. It consumed a lot of logs that meant money to Mr. Hill, and it finally became apparent that the donkey engine and the rest of the logging paraphernalia would be destroyed. There was no place to get out with the machine, and the owner decided to bury it. All hands fell to work and the donkey engine was soon underground, and the fire later swept on, doing no harm to the outfit.

All of which tends to prove that "necessity is the mother of invention."

### Another Chemist

From all accounts OAC is to have another chemist added to her already splendid staff. A dispatch to the Telegram from Forest Grove, under date of Aug-

ust 31st is as follows:

Professor Charles E. Bradley, who has had the chair of chemistry in Pacific University for the last six years, has accepted the chair in chemistry in the Oregon Agricultural College at Corvallis, and will depart with his family in a day or so for that place.

Mr. Bradley was born at Galesburg, Ill., February 22, 1874. When four years of age his parents came West, and at the age of 16 he entered Tualatin Academy. Seven years later he graduated from Pacific University with the degree of B. S.

After a year's practical work in mining chemistry, he was appointed assistant in the science department of Pacific University, and in 1900 was made instructor in chemistry, with the degree of M. S. Mr. Bradley returned from California a few days ago, where he and Professor James R. Robertson, of Pacific University had been studying research work in the Berkeley University. Mr. Bradley has many friends among the students, not only in the recitation-room, but also through the great interest he has always taken in athletics.

### Cracked Safe.

Keep an eye on your safe, for according to the West Side Enterprise you have need to. The following is related of a Monmouth safe cracking episode:

The store of S. M. Daniels at Monmouth was entered Monday night and a small amount of cash and some papers were stolen. The burglar was a safe-cracker but was a victim of love's labor lost in this case. He drilled a hole in the safe and was ready to apply the explosives when the door was discovered to be unlocked. It is Mr. Daniels' custom to close his safe door and turn the bolt, which serves as protection in case of fire, but he does not lock. Being next door to the bank it is not necessary to keep money in the safe though on this occasion Mrs. Daniels had deposited a box containing \$20 and some jewelry. This the burglar got and also some papers of Mr. Daniels'.

Entrance was made through the rear of the store and in leaving the burglar passed in the rear of the bank and blacksmith shop. At the latter place he left a little wooden till taken from the safe. The iron till, also taken, has not been found. His work done, the burglar came direct to Independence. Mr. Daniels tracked him in the dust Tuesday morning as far as the Butler place. About 4 o'clock the same morning a man was seen passing Hastings coming into town from the direction of Monmouth. Shortly after that time the dogs of W. W. Percival's residence flew out as if disturbed by a passerby.

Prof. Berchtold and family began moving yesterday from their former residence to Canthorn Hall, where they are to occupy a suite of rooms the coming school year.

It is Mr. and Mrs. Jack Milne now. The happy event took place in Portland Friday, and with his bride Jack arrived home Saturday. Mr. Milne is the genial proprietor of the "Gem" cigar store, and has a host of friends who join in good wishes and congratulations.

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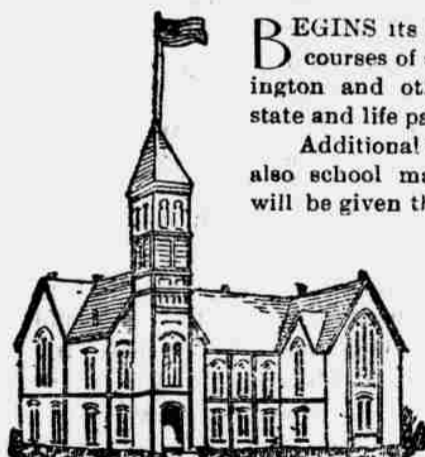
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