

### ALWAYS ROOM TO CLIMB.

If Lads Have Ambition—A Story by Prof. Horner.

In his usual entertaining manner Prof. Horner, in one of his series of letters now running in the "Oregon Sunday Journal" at Portland tells a story that should touch and thrill the heart of every young man and boy who reads it.

It tells the story of an upright and esteemed professor at OAC, a Scotch lad who landed at Astoria, worked for wages in Benton county and through perseverance and will-power attained a position for himself in the world that might be envied by the average man: This lad graduated from OAC where he is now a professor, and Prof. Horner tells the story in his own way, as follows:

On approaching the Rosetta branch of the Nile we are confronted by the city of Alexandria. To our right is Pompey's Pillar, more than a hundred feet high; to the left are the ruins of Pharos, the old light house which was listed as a wonder of the world. Further down the coast, fourteen miles or more, is the bay of Aboukir, where was fought the Battle of the Nile. Here stood Admiral Nelson and here stood Casabianca. Victory was too tame a word, so Nelson called the battle a "conquest." But which run the greater victory and which will be sung longer by muse—England's greatest admiral or the boy who "stood on the burning deck, when all but he had fled?"

While we were talking of the little Italian boy I thought of a sturdy Scotch lad who had been pushed out of his home and enticed aboard a ship as a sailor. He passed Aboukir bay for Port Said many years after the battle of the Nile. His ship plowed three oceans and finally he found himself on the coast of Oregon. Driven by despair to greater and higher activities, he went inland in quest of labor that he might obtain an education. He excelled on the farm as a laborer and in college as a student. Labor on a farm and midnight oil in the student's cloister yield a bountiful harvest to an honest boy. After graduation he was employed as professor in his alma mater. Finally he became one of the most useful men in his state. This is the story of the boy imbued with as much spirit as ever was the hero of the Nile. He sought such opportunities to unfold his powers of usefulness as America can afford. Who is the greatest of these—the noted admiral, the little son of Casabianca or the Scotch lad who is a worthy example to other boys "striving up the heights?"

In memory of his conquest the statue of Nelson stands at the head of a tall column in Trafalgar Square overlooking the city of London; the heroic deed of the lad of ten at Aboukir bay has chronicled by historians and muse; and the Caledonian waif who rose from obscurity through the pulsating power of American life until his example has inspired other boys to nobler deeds throughout the Northwest has won recognition which time will eventually accord.

### First Game Played.

On a good field, under a clear sky, and with a large crowd of rooters in attendance, the OAC football team defeated the Albany Athletic Club men in a game on OAC field Saturday afternoon. The score was 22 to 0.

The local eleven was made up entirely of new men excepting Cherry, who played left guard. They were a much heavier aggregation than the Albany team, but the latter fell short on team work.

Albany's stronghold was in

punting. Their best ground gainers were Ward and Coates, while Wolfe and Darby did good work for OAC.

The halves were only fifteen minutes, which was scarcely time enough to show the strength of either team. Coach Norcross acted as coach and umpire and filled the positions with entire satisfaction. After the game he took his men out for practice, showing them what mistakes they had made during the game.

The line-up of the teams was

OAC	POSITION	ALBANY
Bennett	C	Gibbons
Pendergrass	RG	Rice
Barber	RT	Ward
Shannon	RE	Neeley
Dobbins	LE	Francis
Cherry	LG	Rogoway
Finn	LT	Marksbury
Looney	RH	Coats
Darby (capt)	LH	Schiffler
Gagnon	Q	Schultz (capt)
Wolf	F	Monteith
Emery, linesman;		Bundy, um-
		pire.

### Petition for Sidewalk.

The following is a copy of a petition now in circulation in the western part of town:

To the Mayor, and Common Council of the City of Corvallis.

Gentlemen—Greetings: We, the undersigned, residents of Wilkins addition to the City of Corvallis, respectfully beg to call your attention to the following facts:

1st That there is no sidewalk along the north side of block No. 4, nor along the east side of said block, except across the east end of lot 4, now owned by Mr. Lewis in said addition.

2nd That it is not pleasant to cross muddy streets and along sides of vacant lots and blocks, daily, in going to and returning from work, nor for our children going and returning from school.

3rd That often duties call us away from home in the evenings and on returning we are obliged to stumble over uneven ground endangering life and limb, because somebody does not build the necessary sidewalks.

4th It is almost impossible for our women folks to get out of a Sunday to attend church, if they so desire, on account of muddy streets and vacant strips across which the absence of sidewalks are the most conspicuous feature.

5th We believe we are entitled to have walks constructed across all vacant lots in the entire district as many of us have built homes in said Addition, which has enhanced the value of property in the entire Addition. Therefore we respectfully ask for an order to have walks constructed, without unnecessary delay, along the north and east side of said block No. 4, Wilkins addition, except across east end of lot 4, and that said walk be extended along the West side of Fifteenth street to the Kings Valley road, and all connecting cross walks be put in by the City so as to enable us to go to and from our homes without wading in mud, or our children having wet feet in going to school.

Get your Season Tickets for the Corvallis Lyceum Course now and thus be sure of a reserved seat. Tickets on sale at Graham & Wortham's.

Clinton Brown was brought to Corvallis, Saturday, from Wrenn to receive medical attention. About the 20th of September this gentleman rode into a creek in the vicinity of Wrenn to water his horse, and the animal fell, breaking the rider's leg. Mr. Brown has since been at Wrenn, but to be nearer medical aid he was brought to town as stated.

Wanted—Oak logs, 17 to 26 inches in diameter. Inquire Central Planing Mills, Corvallis.

License to wed was issued Friday to Benson M. Maxfield and Miss Eva O. Papke, both of Kings Valley. The father's written consent appears on record, the bride being under age.

### ANOTHER STEP FORWARD.

Willamette Valley—Waking to a Realization of Her Possibilities.

Things in the Willamette Valley are changing rapidly and new ideas and new methods are taking the lead in a thousand ways. Chief among these improvements is the calling into use of the various streams for power purposes, and along this line some information as to projects now under way is given as follows from the Albany Herald of the last of the week:

The initial steps of what may mean the establishment of electric lines throughout this section of the Willamette valley in the near future were taken Thursday when Walter Mackay filed with the county recorder two notices of location for reservoir sites and water rights.

The project contemplated by Mackay is the development of electric power for transmission to any part of the Willamette valley for industrial and municipal purposes. This much is stated in the papers filed. Continuing, Mr. Mackay gives notice that he will use Marion lake, which is about 400 acres in extent, for the development of the necessary energy. It is the intention also to appropriate 5,000 cubic inches (miners' measurement) under a six-inch pressure, of the waters of the Marion fork of the north fork of the Santiam river. A 12-foot dam will be constructed with penstocks on the Marion fork of the north fork of the Santiam river just below the outlet of the lake, and a further distance down streams the large power house will be built, which is expected to develop 2,500 horse power.

On the north fork of the Santiam river another dam will be built and 200,000 cubic inches of water (miners' measurement) at a six-inch pressure will be appropriated. The two projects will develop it in the neighborhood of 42,000 horse power.

### "Uncle Josh Perkins."

When "Uncle Josh Perkins" comes to town everyone says "It is that old Rube play," and turns up his nose—and then goes to the theatre box office and gets a couple of tickets. That is what happened yesterday, evidently, because the Empire theatre was well filled both afternoon and evening.

This year "Uncle Josh" has lost none of its attractiveness. The same old plot and the same old characters are forthcoming just as surely as the play exists. The company producing "Uncle Josh" this year is excellent. In the title role Bert Hodgkins gives an interpretation of the part that is good and also satisfying. J. P. Stetson makes good in huge quantities as Caleb Slick, the designing lawyer. Bertha Honora does the woman lead in the approved fashion. The scenic part of the present production has not been neglected and is in keeping with the general merit of the show. "Uncle Josh Perkins" may be said to be the best show that has been housed in the Empire theatre so far this season. It will be there this week with Saturday matinee. It's worth a visit.—Portland Journal.

At the opera house on Wednesday night, October 17th.

### Where are They Now?

What has become of the laboring men of Corvallis and Benton county? This is the question that is puzzling more heads than one these days, and it is a query that seems unanswerable.

Where formerly there were more men than jobs and laborers were in search of employment every day, of any sort that offered living wages, today there are ten jobs for every man and

even then people cannot secure help. College boys who are working their way through school have no difficulty now in securing employment, for offers of work are handed them from all directions. The "small job" man is in especial demand, for there is wood to be put in sheds before the rains come, carpets to be beaten, spading to be done in yards, shrubbery to be trimmed and attended, and a thousand and one other things to be done and there is no one to do the work.

The question is then, where are the laboring men who formerly hunted in vain for jobs and whom jobs now hunt in vain? True, the wages are better this year than last, but from whence has come the unusual demand for workmen?

No factories have come to Corvallis to employ more men, the mills have practically the same number on their pay rolls, the merchants have the same retinue of clerks, and the farmers are hiring about the same amount of help. Where then are the helpers gone?

It is said many men are seeking the logging camps in various sections and that others have sought localities where railroad work is in progress, and these statements are doubtless true, but at any rate the Corvallis employer searches in vain for the "man with the hoe" of olden times and frequently has to do his own job work at odd moments.

### He Apologized.

An apology has been made by Cadet Russell A. McCully and has been accepted by officials of the War department, so that as soon as the present trouble in Cuba subsides sufficiently to permit a regular army officer will be assigned to the position of Commandant at the Oregon Agricultural College, to replace Lieutenant D. P. Quinlan, recently withdrawn because of breach of discipline by McCully.

Official announcement of the adjustment of the difficulty between the college and the War Department was made here yesterday by J. K. Weatherford, president of the Board of Regents, who was in this city to attend a session called especially to order bids for the erection of a new dormitory for the institution at Corvallis.

Owing to the notoriety caused by an assault made upon Lieutenant Quinlan, Commandant at the Agricultural College at the time, by Cadet McCully, and the subsequent unpleasantness arising from the affair, Secretary of War, William H. Taft, has promised personally to pick an officer from the army, to be sent to Corvallis as Commandant, just as soon as the Cuban trouble subsides and one can be spared.—Oregonian.

### Will Reside Here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan McLennan have arrived to take up their residence in Corvallis. Regarding their marriage the Alton (Illinois) Telegram says:

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Richl, Evergreen Heights, the marriage of their eldest daughter, Helen, to Mr. Ivan McLennan, was celebrated Wednesday at noon. The house was beautifully decorated for the occasion. The bridal couple, attended by the bride's sister, Julia, and brother, Edwin, a bridesmaid and best man, stood under a canopy of asparagus ferns and Shasta daisies. The marriage ceremony performed by an uncle of the bride, Rev. Daniel C. Richl, of Cedar Springs, Mich., was simple and very impressive. A number of their relatives and friends were present. Those from a distance were: Mrs. Chas. Humphrey, Adria, Mich.; Daniel C. Richl,



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of Cedar Springs, Mich.; Roderick Murchison, wife and daughter, Kewanee, Ill.; Mrs. Wm. Roesch and Miss Marie Stein, Miss Sadie Lowrie and Miss Bertha Roach of St. Louis. The bridal party left on the evening train for their future home at Corvallis, Oregon.

### LETTER LIST.

The following letters remain uncalled for in the Corvallis postoffice, for the week ending Oct. 13, 1906:

Miss Mary Armstrong, Mrs. M. J. Frederick, W. P. Heacock & Son, M. A. McLaughlin, H. E. Morris.

B. W. JOHNSON, P. M.

For Sale.—30,000 acres of land in Lincoln and Benton Counties, Oregon, along the C. & E. R. R., known as Road Lands, now owned by an Eastern Company. For prices and terms, call or address, L. H. Fish, Western Agent, Albany Oregon.

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