

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham of Albion, Wash., arrived Friday for a visit in this city.

Senator A. J. Johnson came up from Salem Friday evening and spent Sunday at home.

Mrs. Rachel Lilly returned to her home at Wrenn Saturday, after a visit with friends in this city.

A farmers' institute under the auspices of OAC and Winona Grange was held at Tualatin yesterday.

Mrs. J. W. Harper of Benton county was called to Jefferson last week by the illness of her granddaughter, Emma McCarty.

Mrs. Chauncey Barclay returned home to Irish Bend Saturday, having been the guest of Corvallis relatives for a few days.

W. E. Marvin and family returned to their home at Peoria, Friday, having been in this city to attend the funeral of the late William Marvin.

The basket social at the Christian church Friday evening was attended by a large crowd and a neat sum was realized from the sale of baskets.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Blake of Soap Creek were visitors from Thursday until Sunday at the A. W. Herbert home in this city.

Mrs. J. K. Weatherford and Miss Florence Mason of Albany were among the visitors in Corvallis Friday, having come in with the legislative party.

Minor Swick has been laid up the past week with a badly mashed foot, caused by the furnace door dropping on it, at the M. E. church where Mr. Swick is janitor.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Newton gave a party at their home Friday evening. Dancing was the amusement and 40 invitations had been issued. Refreshments were served and a good time is reported.

The recital given by the faculty of the OAC School of Music Friday night was largely attended and very enjoyable. The program was varied and pleased the audience, as was evidenced by the hearty applause.

Mrs. William Marvin returned to Peoria, Saturday. She has rented the old "Temple of Justice" building on Third street and is to move to this city as soon as arrangements can be made.

In Portland an ice plant to furnish ice for a skating rink, is being constructed to cost \$80,000. The rink will be 100 x 200 feet and will be something new and novel in the way of skating rinks.

The old postoffice room on Main street has been wonderfully changed the past week. The interior has been entirely worked over and fixtures put in for a confectionery store, the front of the building painted, and the place presents a different appearance.

At the "kid" party given Friday night by A. J. Fuller, Grant McLaughlin carried off first prize for the best sustained character and Roy Bier and Miss Oleson were awarded the booby prizes. A very jolly evening was spent. The refreshments were bread and milk cake, pickles, and stick candy.

Mrs. Inez Fuller-Fifer was one of the passengers on the wrecked S. P. train Friday. She is a former OAC girl and was en route to Corvallis when the train jumped the track and turned over on the side in a ditch. Mrs. Fifer escaped without a scratch. She searched among the debris and found her trunk, which was soaking wet inside and out. Some of the papers received later in the day were water-soaked.

Mr. S. Lindley, the Santiam gardener, brought to this office this week a French walnut tree three years old which was 12 1/2 feet tall. It was grown from seed planted by Mr. Lindley on his Santiam farm above Lebanon. The nut was planted three years ago this coming spring. The first year it grew to a height of 2 1/2 feet. The next year 3 1/2 feet were added and the past summer 6 1/2 more feet were put on it. At the base it is 2 1/2 inches in diameter.—Lebanon Critic.

The home of Mrs. J. E. Farmer was the scene of a very happy social gathering Friday afternoon. The affair was a "tea" given by the ladies of the W. R. C. and about 75 guests came and went during the afternoon. An excellent program was given which included a vocal duet by Mrs. Farmer and Mrs. O. J. Blackledge; recitation, Mabel Farmer; solo, Janet Blackledge; instrumental solo, Blanche Hammett; two vocal solos in German, Mr. M. Hubler; recitation and song, Mrs. E. W. S. Pratt. The proceeds from the tea go to the W. R. C. relief fund.

M. T. Starr was a Salem business visitor several days last week.

Miss Vera Stevens went to Philomath Friday for a visit with friends.

Mrs. Lon Hawley of Bellefountain was a Corvallis visitor the last of the week.

Prof. C. I. Lewis of OAC was a business visitor in Salem the last of the week.

Miss Hettie Lilly was the guest last week of Mr. and Mrs. John Tomlinson of Wells.

During the month of January Clerk Vincent issued 58 licenses to Corvallis and Benton hunters.

Wilbur Starr of Bellefountain was among the out of town business visitors noticed on Corvallis streets Friday.

The county court has granted permission for the sale of the personal property in the estate of Joseph Baird, deceased.

Clarence Whiteside disposed of his dray team Friday to W. W. Ireland. The consideration was something less than \$1,000.

Wiley Ingram, who had his arm shot almost off a short time ago, while out hunting, is rapidly recovering and will not have to have the injured member amputated.

W. H. Smith and family left the last of the week for Philomath, to reside. Mr. Smith has been employed on the telephone lines in this city.

Clarence Chipman went to Newport Saturday to look after business in connection with the opening of the hotel which he and Clarence Vidito are to operate the coming season.

The Artisans are to initiate several candidates Thursday night and discuss matters of great importance to the order. All members should be there to have a voice in the proceedings.

Work is still in progress on the Independent telephone lines and it will be some weeks before the task of rearranging the service is completed.

Misses Lulu and Lela Wells, the attractive twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Wells, gave a party at their home Thursday evening. About 30 young friends were present and the occasion was one of pleasure to all.

A petition has been filed with the county court asking that Caroline E. Marvin be appointed administratrix of the estate of W. E. Marvin, deceased. The value of the estate is quoted at \$200.

Mrs. John Leuger, Mrs. Walter Taylor, Mrs. Reuben Kiger, Mrs. Rose Hall, and Harley Hall went to Buena Vista Friday morning with the remains of the late W. Fred Hall, which were laid to rest in the cemetery at that place Friday afternoon beside the young man's mother, who died many years ago.

John Mays of North Yamhill was a Corvallis business visitor Thursday and Friday. He was formerly a Benton county resident and for many years occupied a farm a few miles from Corvallis. Mr. Mays is now engaged in the culture of small fruits, having an orchard near North Yamhill which he operates with the assistance of his son.

A full house greeted the old-time favorite, "Uncle Tom's Cabin" given by Stetson's theatrical company at the Corvallis opera house Thursday evening. The play is too well known to need commendation, and in the present instance was creditably produced, "Little Eva" as usual being the favorite with all. Good specialties were a feature of the performance.

A trip from Portland to the very top of Mount Hood and return in one day, with the most modern conveniences for traveling, will be the attraction offered by the Portland & Mount Hood Railway Company within the next two years, says the Telegram. In addition to building an electric road to the base of Mount Hood and erecting a tavern for the accommodation of tourists, the company proposes constructing a cog-road from the site of the hotel to the tip-top of the mountain and enclosing it where thought necessary to protect it from the elements.

Senior orations were delivered at OAC last Thursday afternoon. The chapel was crowded with people who came to listen to the program which was as follows: Violin solo, L. J. Rosenstein; oration, "Evolution of Scientific Thought and Invention," J. E. O'Neil; oration, "An Uplifting Force," Adam McDonald; oration, "Be Merciful," Winnie Parsons; oration, "Heroism of Lewis and Clark," A. H. Post; oration, "Value for Value," Madalene Nichols; vocal solo, Lulu Spangler.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Bauer visited from Saturday until yesterday with friends at Monmouth.

Miss Bruce Burnett and little son returned to their home in Portland Saturday, after a visit with Corvallis relatives.

A marriage license was issued Saturday to William C. Knox and Florence Conner, both of Philomath. The groom is a recent arrival from Colorado.

The dance and supper given at Wilhelm's hall at Mon.oe Friday night was attended by a very large crowd and everyone had a good time. A sumptuous supper was served by the Circle ladies in their hall. Music for the dance was furnished by Elmer Wilde, Mr. Nye, and Mrs. Mulkey.

Leo Burnett, eldest son of Sheriff and Mrs. M. P. Burnett, and Miss Edna Tom, of Corvallis, were married Wednesday afternoon in Vancouver, Wash. They are to reside in Portland, where the groom has employment with a telephone company. Mr. Burnett has spent most of his life in Corvallis and is well and favorably known, while his bride is a respected young woman. Both have a wide circle of friends who join in good wishes for their future.

A decision was filed at the county clerk's office on the 30th in the divorce suit of J. A. Rycraft vs Nina Rycraft. This decision modifies the decree of December 20, 1905, and gives to the mother the "care, custody, and maintenance" of the minor child, Vera W. Rycraft. The mother's name is now Mrs. Nina Prinzier. The child is not to be removed from the state, however, without a further order from the court, and the father is to be allowed to visit the daughter at proper times and places.

Miss Maud Morgan has come to Corvallis to remain for an indefinite period, according to the Lebanon Express-Advertiser.

O. V. Hurt went to Portland Saturday to meet his wife who was returning from a visit to her son Frank and daughter Mae in Seattle. Mr. and Mrs. Hurt arrived home Sunday.

Miss Sophia Hartley who went to Portland a week ago for treatment for appendicitis, is improving and it is not likely that an operation will be necessary.

It is certain as [Dr. Withercombe and Mr. Schulerich stated at Ashland, that Oregon is confronted with a shortage of dairy cows. For years Washington to a large extent, and California to a lesser extent, have been drawing on Oregon for milk cows. Neither California nor Washington is raising enough dairy cows to keep up with the increasing demand and Oregon has need of many more good cows than it has.—Ex.

It has again been reported from Corvallis that President Gatch, of the Oregon Agricultural College, will retire at the close of the present college year. There are, of course, many who wish to succeed him, and the newspapers of the state are showing some interest in the matter. The Board of Regents in selecting a new president, should keep in mind the fact that they are placing a man at the head of an agricultural college. There are available men who have been educated in agricultural colleges and whose educational work has been done at agricultural colleges. There is, therefore, no excuse for selecting a man for president of the college at Corvallis whose education and life work have been of the old classical kind.—Oregon Agriculturist, Editorial.

There seems to be a very strong sentiment growing up in Oregon in favor of holding the State Fair a month later than it is now held. It has been held for a number of years at a date when it is practically impossible for the progressive farmers of western Oregon to attend. It is possible that there will be a little more danger of rain at the middle of October than at the middle of September, but Oregon is growing fast in population and wealth, and if the fair is held at a time when the farmers generally can attend it will not be difficult to secure an appropriation for building a good system of stock bars connected with each other and with the general exhibit buildings by covered walks. If this were done it would enable successful fairs to be held, rain or no rain.—Ex.

An interesting and instructive bulletin on walnut culture in Oregon has just been issued by Prof. C. I. Lewis of OAC. Soon after Prof. Lewis arrived in Oregon last summer to enter upon the duties of Horticulturist of the Oregon Experiment Station he found there was a pressing demand for information concerning the walnut. He has devoted much time to visiting walnut groves and trees in the state, has looked up all available references to the subject and has consulted personally with nearly every man in the state who is known to have taken a special interest in walnut culture in a practical way or otherwise. The conclusions reached from this investigation are embodied in the bulletin which is illustrated by a number of cuts made from photographs of walnut groves, trees, and nuts of different varieties, as well as of budding, etc.

Mrs. Lillie King who went to Portland last week on a visit, is very ill of pneumonia at the home of her son in that city.

Fresh country butter all the time at the City Market—50 cents a roll. 104f

Mrs. F. L. Miller has been confined to her home for a week with a severe attack of influenza.

M. B. Huntly, who was a leading baker in Eugene for 15 years, is now baking for Small & Son in this city. Everything fresh every evening. 6-14

Tite Ranney, the Summit merchant, returned home yesterday after a brief business visit in Corvallis.

An important meeting of the Benton County Citizens' League occurs tonight. All members are urged to be present, as the business of the year is to be closed up.

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February 22nd, 1783. 13 Attorney E. R. Bryson was a business visitor in Eugene Saturday.

Miss Rilla Thompson of OAC left for Portland Saturday, to visit her brother who has been ill for some time.

There was an election of officers of the OAC student assembly at the college Friday afternoon. In the department of athletics Ben Greenhaw was elected manager, and E. W. P. Harding was chosen president of the assembly. John Schroeder was also elected editor in chief of the Barometer and R. S. Millen business manager.

John Withercombe came up from Salem Friday and spent Sunday with relatives.

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In a game of basketball Saturday night the OAC girls' basketball team defeated the Monmouth Normal School five by the score of 11 to 9. It was a lively game and much enjoyed by a good audience.

The OAC boys' basketball team Saturday night defeated the U. of O. team at Eugene by the score of 42 to 18. At no time during the contest was the result of the game in doubt, the University boys being completely outclassed.

Wade Malone, the Alsea merchant came up from Portland Saturday, where he had been on a business trip, and went on to his home in Alsea valley. Mr. Malone states that he accumulates a wagon load of eggs per week in his store, which have to be brought to market at Corvallis, rain or shine.

Miss Grace Dodele came up from Wells Saturday, for a visit with relatives.

One of the worst fights ever seen in Corvallis happened in the northwestern part of town Sunday afternoon. Four young men students of OAC, each armed with a huge water pitcher, engaged in a water fight, sousing each other until not a thread of their clothing escaped a drenching, and one had finally slipped and fell into a ditch waist deep. On every perch in the vicinity people watched the battle and passersby stopped to look and laugh. The sport was carried on in good spirit and no one seemed to enjoy it so much as the boys engaged. "Boys will be boys."

The members of the Utopian literary society at OAC entertained the Zethgattians at a party Saturday evening, the affair proving very pleasant for all present.

The "Barnacle" dancing club members gave the second of their series of five dances Saturday night, and enjoyed the occasion equally as well, if not better, than do the members of the younger set. Only married couples belong to the "Barnacle."

The story of a big meteor falling near Albany, which gained wide credence in this part of the state, has turned out to be a fake, the story springing entirely from a joke played on a German farmer living on the place where the meteor was reported to have fallen, says a dispatch from that city in Saturday's Telegram. It is now learned that no meteor fell at all. The report was so generally circulated that its falsity was established only after some Albany men had driven some distance into the country to find the meteor and make an investigation.

Bellefountain Briefs.

There was an inch of snow here Saturday morning.

Miss Lydia Dean who is a student at Monmouth is spending two weeks at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Hawley gave a party at their home Friday evening to 33 guests. It was a very enjoyable affair.

Mrs. Susan Starr is almost entirely recovered from her recent illness and is preparing to move into the room she recently built onto the W. F. Starr residence, where she is to make her home. W. F. Starr returned Saturday

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from a two days' visit in Corvallis. very pleasant for all present. The Lodge "Knocker." Everybody works but the knocker, He sits around all day Knocking our grand old Order Fooling his time away. His wife pays his assessments, So does his daughter Ann. Everybody works in our lodge But the knocking man. —Exchange.