

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

J. D. Wells and wife were Albany visitors, Thursday.

Born, Friday, to Prof. and Mrs. Jackson, a daughter.

Dr. W. J. Kerr was a business visitor in Albany the last of the week.

The Whist Club was pleasantly entertained by Mrs. A. J. Johnson, Thursday afternoon.

Dr. J. M. Dunn of Madison, Iowa, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Haman Lewis, at Wells station.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ireland of Portland have been visiting relatives in Corvallis the past few days.

"Grandma" Allen of Wells is reported as very ill, with slight hopes of recovery. She is past 80 years of age.

Mrs. Etta Simpson of Airlie has been the guest for several days of Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Johnson in this city.

Mrs. W. W. Ireland left Thursday for Portland to join her husband. Many friends regret their departure from this city.

C. T. Hurd went to Portland, Friday, to look after business matters in connection with the new Y. M. C. A. building at the college.

Bright sunshine has prevailed the past few days and people are busy in their gardens. Flowers are in bloom and springtime is in the air.

Mrs. Mary J. Whitby is having a handsome new residence built in Jobs addition, opposite the Vincent house. It is understood to be for rental purposes.

The old wooden awning over the front of the Allen pharmacy was torn down Friday afternoon. Thus the old gives way to the new in the march of progress.

Ground was broken for the Oregon Building at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition at Seattle on Wednesday, the 18th instant, with appropriate ceremonies.

George Fuller arrived home Sunday evening from Eastern Oregon, where he has been for the past three weeks. He secured 240 acres of land, 30 miles from Prineville. He says the Eastern Oregon country is developing rapidly.

Clarence Whiteside is to build a new residence on 10th and Madison streets, near the Jack Milne home. Through a misunderstanding in regard to the names, the Gazette was erroneously informed that the new home was to be on the Paddock lots in the extreme western part of town.

At the basket social held at the Bellefontain school house for the purpose of raising funds for the purchase of an organ the sum of \$54.60 was realized. The liberal patronage was greatly appreciated by the instructors and pupils, all of whom are laboring together to build up the school in all departments.

Glenn Ireland and Tommy Fawcett are going into the fancy chicken business on their stock ranch north of town. They are running several incubators and already have 200 little chickens turned out to "graze." The Rhode Island Reds will be the breed handled by Messrs. Fawcett and Ireland and only thoroughbreds will be recognized.

The framework is now up for the new cannery building on River streets and work is being rushed. If anyone doubts that Corvallis is growing, a stroll about town and a look at the new buildings now in course of construction will cause them to very speedily change their minds. The outlook is favorable for the most active building season known here in years.

Goat shearing is now in progress in the vicinity of Monroe and in other parts of Benton county. The mohair is of splendid quality and of good length, due to the healthy condition of the goats. George Hall and E. Nye have secured a machine each, and are clipping a goodly portion of the animals, so that in most of the clip the hair will be in better condition than formerly.

Miss Lizzie Buchanan is suffering with a severe attack of mumps.

Miss Edna Peck has resumed her position in the Independent telephone office, after a siege of mumps.

Mrs. M. E. Cummings and little daughter, Freda, went to Suver, Saturday, for a visit with relatives.

Mrs. J. B. Marvin went to Gaston, Saturday, for a visit with her husband who is working on a logging contract at that place with his engine and crew.

Merton Clark, an old Corvallis boy, has recently moved to Walla Walla, Wash., where he has accepted a position as bookkeeper in a large furniture store.

Henry Wortham and Billy Goldson went to Eugene, Thursday, to attend the funeral of Thomas Evans who was drowned in the Long Tom river, Wednesday.

What is known as the Webber house and lot was sold the last of the week by T. Lee Davis to Mrs. Geneva Porter, A. L. Stevenson making the sale. The consideration mentioned was \$10.

The Henkle & Davis stock of drygoods is being closed out at a brokerage sale, which opened Saturday forenoon and lasts one week. The plans of Messrs. Henkle and Davis for the future are not known.

Roy Bell went to Albany, Friday, where he assumes the position of dock agent for the O. C. T. company, the former agent having retired and gone into business for himself. Roy's old friends wish him success, as he is a most worthy young man.

The Drain girls' basketball team and the OAC girls' team were entertained by the Waldo Hall girls at the college, Friday evening, after the game. Refreshments were served, a social time was enjoyed and the visitors were made to feel welcome at OAC.

James P. Johnson has leased the "Elmore House," better known as the King boarding house, on Fourth street, and with his family took possession of the place, Saturday. It is understood the house will be conducted as a lodging and boarding house.

The new Mechanic Arts building and new barn at OAC were inspected the last of the week by Governor Chamberlain and State Supt. Ackerman. These gentlemen and President Kerr are members of the committee under whose direction the buildings were constructed, and it is understood both structures are satisfactory.

The local editor returns thanks for the items that kind friends have been telephoning, bringing and sending in. These are appreciated and they help to make the paper interesting to you and to others. Do not wait for a special invitation, but call us up and tell us what is happening in your neighborhood. We need the news.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Clark and Mr. and Mrs. Arnold King, all former Corvallisites, are now located at Toppenish, Wash., where they have plenty of work in their line at better wages than the Willamette Valley affords. The only objection they find with the country is that the wind blows too hard for the comfort of the residents.

A moving picture machine was expected to arrive yesterday for use at the Corvallis skating rink. These pictures will be shown free of charge during each evening skating session. Messrs. McFarland and Luper are determined to be up to date and to afford all the amusements possible for those who patronize their place of business.

Friends in Corvallis have received invitations to the marriage of Thomas Bilyeu and Miss Josephine Schulmerich. The event occurs in Portland on the 31st. The groom is an old Corvallis boy and a graduate of the OAC who has made a reputation for himself in the business world since going to Portland, and many old friends in Corvallis extend congratulations.

George Moore and family left yesterday for their home on Salmon River, after a two weeks' visit with Corvallis relatives.

J. J. Cady, one of Corvallis' respected citizens who has been in ill health for some time, is reported as gradually growing worse, but many friends hope for more favorable news in the near future.

The newly elected Amicitian literary society officers for the year are: President, L. C. McLain; vice president, T. J. Autzen; secretary, I. E. Kerr; treasurer, Teddy O'Rourke; flunkys, "Slats" Brodie.

The OAC Pierian literary society has elected officers for the ensuing year, as follows: President, Faye Roadruck; vice pres., Nettie Currin; secretary, Roxana Cate; treasurer, Kate Moore; registrar, Bertha Edwards; janitor, Kate Adams.

Prof. H. L. Mack and wife of Bellefontain were over-Sunday visitors in Corvallis. The announcement of Prof. Mack for the nomination on the republican ticket for county school superintendent appears elsewhere in these columns.

Many business men in Oregon are using special stationery designed in such a way that the low colonist rates are forced upon the attention of the recipient. Railroad officials on various roads have reported travel which indicates thirty trainloads of homeseekers now en route to the Pacific Coast.

Secretary F. A. Welch, of the Oregon State Board of Agriculture, is asking the co-operation of the various County Courts of the state in arranging for exhibits at the State Fair held annually at Salem. It requires forethought at the beginning of the planting season to secure attractive displays, which become of more vital importance each year in view of the immense number of newcomers seeking locations in Oregon.

A fund of \$6900 for publicity purposes, with the assurance that this will be increased to over \$8,000, places Albany in the front rank of active Oregon communities. At the enthusiastic "get-together" meeting held Friday night which was responsible for this result, Governor Chamberlain and Tom Richardson of the Portland Commercial Club made rousing addresses. More than three hundred people participated in the banquet.

The Schwarzschild & Sulzberger Packing Company is asking permission of the city of Portland to cover fourteen acres in the suburbs with a plant which will represent an outlay of \$1,500,000. Coming immediately after the definite announcement of the \$4,000,000 establishment which Swift & Company are to build during 1908, Oregon stockmen are jubilant over the recognition accorded this section of the United States as a packing center.

The revival meeting which has been in progress two weeks at the M. E. church, conducted by Rev. Van Marter, evangelist, assisted by Prof. Gray, soloist, closed Sunday night. While there were no conversions, the church derived great benefit in a spiritual way and the meeting was helpful to all who attended. The evangelist and his helpers go from Corvallis to Montavilla to begin a meeting and the earnest good wishes of all Corvallis christians follow them.

Fruit, dairying and other industries of Oregon have all been given their share of publicity, but poultry raising is rarely mentioned outside of the publications which are either devoted to poultry or have a special department for it. \$5,000,000 annually is a very conservative estimate of the returns from this industry to Oregon farmers, and yet thousands of cases of eggs are shipped in every year from the Middle West to supply the demand here. Expert poultry raisers say that the climate of Western Oregon in particular is conducive to very rapid and healthful growth. There is one community alone in Southern Oregon that annually markets between \$40,000 and \$50,000 worth of turkeys.

Lost: Sunday, between M. E. church and 11th street, brown fur collar. Leave at Gazette office. *27

Buy your groceries of Cooper & Whiteside. rrtf

In a game so one-sided as to scarcely prove interesting, the OAC basketball girls defeated the Drain team by a score of 34 to 3 at the armory, Friday evening. The floor was too "slick" to permit of first class work, owing to a practice dance having been held in the armory the night before. In the game recently at Drain, OAC won by a score of 11 to 7. In Friday evening's contest the visitors made three fouls, failing to score aside from this. A good crowd witnessed the game.

Latest in photos and stamps, at Mrs. Wiegand's studio. 11tf

S. E. Beal of Northern Benton was a Corvallis business visitor, Saturday. Mr. Beal is State vice president of the American Single Comb Brown Leghorn Club and makes a specialty of breeding thoroughbred single comb Brown Leghorn chickens, finding this a very profitable "side issue" in connection with his stock farm. Mr. Beal has just had 500 pamphlets published, relative to his poultry business, which he will use for advertising purposes the coming season.

Fresh vegetables and fruits always on hand in their season. Cooper & Whitesides. rrtf

Washington, March 21st—The Forest Service has recommended that the number of cattle and horses allowed to graze upon the Blue Mountains (W) National Forest in the state of Oregon, during the season of 1908, be increased from 16,000 to 17,900 head and the number of sheep from 150,000 to 152,500 head. This forest has recently been divided into three administrative units, and the increase in the number of head of stock to graze on the range this year was made to permit an equitable adjustment among the former users of the forest.

The spring and summer term of the Corvallis Business College opens Monday, April 1st, to continue five months. Students can, however, register at any time. 27

One of the most convincing compilations of facts ever circulated to advertise a given section of country is "One Thousand Facts of Production," collected by J. R. Shepard, giving actual results of producers throughout the Willamette Valley. This compilation deals with fruit, vegetables, live stock, cereals, grasses, poultry, hops and nuts. A. F. Hofer, secretary of the Salem Board of Trade, will be glad to send this to any address, and it is a character of information that should be in the hands of every active newspaper man as well as the officers of every commercial body throughout the State of Oregon, and in fact all over the United States.

Masquerade Wednesday night at the Corvallis skating rink. The public is invited to come and mask. 27

Robert Wilson, for many years a prosperous farmer of northern Benton, residing on the Walter Wiles farm near Wells, died at his home in Independence Saturday night, of tuberculosis, after an illness of many months. The funeral was held yesterday and the remains interred in the cemetery near Independence. Mr. Wilson was a son of "Grandpa" J. P. Wilson of Corvallis, and a brother of Albert Wilson, the well known dairyman. He was a man of high moral character and was universally respected. The survivors are the widow, two sons and a daughter. Many sincere friends in Corvallis and vicinity extend sympathy to those who are so sadly bereft of a loving husband and father.

For the Log Rolling Contest—Woodmen of the World, McMinnville, Ore., April 15th, the Southern Pacific company will sell tickets at one and one third fare on the certificate plan. Tickets may be purchased on any of the three days prior to the opening day and will be honored for return until April 17th. If less than 50 are in attendance, full fare will be charged for the return trip. R. C. Linville, Agent. 27tf

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