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BENEFICIARY ORGANIZATIONS.

PROBABLY during the immense advancement made in all lines during the last twenty-five years, none can take precedence of insurance by means of co-operation. As an example we have but to take the growth of the A. O. U. W., since founded by Father Upchurch about that time ago. From a membership of fifteen at the time of its first inception, it has now grown to half a million, and ranks third in point of members among the fraternal organizations of the United States. Besides the benefits of creating a fraternal sympathy and inculcating in its members a truer and nobler conception of the duties which men owe to each other, how incalculable are the distressed homes which it has relieved, and the wives and little children which it has kept from absolute poverty and shame. Right in our own state, in which this order now has a membership of nearly 5,000, are many instances of the good done and suffering relieved when the head of the household has been taken away. During later years many orders, similar in character and founded upon the same plan of protection of loved ones by the simple plan of unity and brotherly co-operation, have been formed, the aggregate membership of them all running away up into the millions. Dallas has now two orders of this class—A. O. U. W. and K. O. T. M.—the latter having been in existence only twelve years, but now numbering about 80,000, and having in its workings several improvements on the old A. O. U. W. plan, the most prominent being that of graded assessments, and the right to take out either \$1,000, \$2,000 or \$5,000 beneficiaries, as the member may desire. Now we come to the point of our argument: Why is it that working men or others who live only upon what they are able to earn, will for the sake of not spending an average of from \$15 to \$20 per year, run the risk of leaving those whom they love at the altar to protect and cherish, without visible means of support and in many instances without enough to pay their own burial expenses. What wonder is it that many women are driven to a second marriage, perhaps extremely distasteful to them, simply for the reason that they are incapacitated by nature for battling with the world, and must take this means of securing their children a home, which their selfish father—this is the only entirely applicable word—refused to provide, although in bringing them into the world he laid himself under a moral obligation for their maintenance until they were able to take care of themselves. Procrastination is a prime factor in leaving many men uninsured at the time of death. When approached on the subject, they say: "Oh, yes, I have always intended to join your order. It saved the wife and family of a near relative of mine from absolute poverty, and I have always had a kindly feeling toward it, but just now times are so hard"—etc. All end with a promise to come in soon, but keep putting it off, and the first thing one knows, the strong healthy man is stricken with some disease or an accident befalls him and it is devastatingly too late. How is it with you? Is your wife able to take up your burdens, in connection with her own, and make the living you have done? No, hardly, and if you really and truly care for her and your own offspring you will not allow her to do it, when such an easy method of lightening her burden as when you are gone is placed before you and at such a trifling cost.

MONMOUTH.

Died, the Monmouth Record, second fiddle to West Side.

H. H. Grindol has come with his family to his future home in Lane county.

R. M. Smith went to Albany this week to be examined by the government physicians for an increase of pension.

Hon. C. G. Fisher left Saturday for Seaside to look after his mining interests. Others will go soon, as the snow is sufficiently out of the mountains to allow them to work.

Several persons left here this week for the mining regions of Southern Oregon, among them being Geo. Seldon and Albert Gwin, Loring Bedwell, Edgar Dennis and Tom Zieber. Others will go soon.

Mrs. Letta Diens died Thursday of last week and was buried in the Odd Fellows cemetery on Saturday. Mrs. Diens had been an invalid for many years and twenty years ago the doctors predicted she would live but a few years. Her age was 56.

At a meeting of the regents of the state normal school on Tuesday it was agreed to postpone the election of teachers until the annual meeting in June. This will be quite a hardship on the teachers as they will be uncertain whether they are to be retained or not and will have no chance to look for other schools in case any of them are not retained and may result in some of them remaining unemployed the coming year.

The graduating class of the Monmouth public school will render the following programme at the opera house on next Friday evening, May 12th.

Music.
"Vacation"—Miss Linnie Murphy.
"The Little things of Life"—Ed. Riddell.
"The Sacrificial Gamesters"—Maud Hargrove.
"Pats"—Lula Mason.
"Buy My Flowers"—Bertha Bentley and Bertha Heacock.
"Criticism"—David Riddell.
"A Hundred Years from Now"—Olivia Howell.
"The Farm"—Oscar Russell.

Music.
"Looking Backward"—Ethel Lemon.
"Life is What we Make it"—Nora Hiatt.
Song.
Address—Superintendent Hutchinson.

Presentation of diplomas to class. The exercises will be opened by drills and exercises by the school.

NORMAL NOTES.
Louis Briggs, who graduated a couple of years ago, is visiting us.

Mr. Palm, a teacher in the Hillsboro schools visited us last week.

Those of the junior class who spoke last Friday were Miss Casteel and Mr. Hunter.

Mr. Allen, a traveling dictionist, who gave a couple of readings in Monmouth last week, was up and addressed the students.

The board of regents came to Monmouth Tuesday to hold a meeting for the purpose of electing the faculty for the coming year.

There is an oratorical contest to be held in Salem in June, between the different colleges in Oregon. The normal will send eight delegates.

THE REASON FOR IT.
EDITOR ITEMIZER: Will you kindly allow me to a word of correction in regard to the Falls City item in last week's paper as to the W. C. T. U. going in a body to the polls election day. I doubt not your correspondent was well meaning enough, but the item is misleading. The W. C. T. U. is not a woman suffrage organization, though many of its members believe that women should have the ballot. The ladies that voted at our town election were exercising the right conferred on them by our charter, but they did so as individuals, some of them being members of the W. C. T. U. and some not, while some members did not choose to vote. The union is a christian not a political organization, and its aim is expressed by its motto—For God and Home and Every Land. JUSTICE.

Hood's Cures

Saved From the Grave
Soreful in Face and Neck—
Blind at Times

Hood's Sarsaparilla Restored Health—
Gained 32 Pounds in Weight.

COOPER HOLLOW.

E. Thurston was home from his school.

Crops looking fine and pasture improving.

Hugh Broder is again living at his father's, Mrs. Bressler.

Miss Eva Towns spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. Cobb spent Sunday with Allen Towns and family.

Charles McCaleb has been making frequent trips to Mt. Pisgah of late.

Mrs. Eliza and Mrs. Mary McCaleb took dinner with their friend Mrs. Mackon Monday.

Mr. Heffley has traded forty acres of his land near Mt. Whimble for Monmouth property.

Mr. Ehwald of the Guthrie neighborhood has bought and will move on the farm formerly occupied by Mr. Sheldon.

The wheat squirrels are again making their appearance and we hope the farmers here will not neglect to put out poison.

If every one owning grub farms were as industrious as Clarence McCaleb, there would be more cultivated land in these parts.

The roads are being worked in this neighborhood but none to speak of. I would advise my brother farmers not to allow their hogs to cultivate the potato patch as they are apt to eat some of the seed.

SALEM SIMMERING.

When any of your steam machinery needs extra fittings of any kind, you can secure them at the plumbing establishment of Dugan Bros. They are also fully supplied with the latest hop and fruit sprayers.

Mrs. D. L. Feister, the fashionable milliner of the capital city, has by her attention to business and her ability in suiting her customers built up a trade which is second to no other establishment of that kind in the valley. If you desire the very latest love of a hat or a bonnet, be sure and look over her immense stock.

Considerate waiters and extra good meals is what causes such an immense run of customers at Hollenbrand's restaurant.

At Davidson's market you can always procure all kinds of fresh fish and salmon eggs for trout fishing. He will pay the highest market price for all your fat poultry.

Fifteen per cent, at least, can be saved by purchasing your goods at the New York Racket store. They carry a large and varied assortment of nearly everything used in a household and the goods are of extra quality.

Brooks & Sallisbury, are now enjoying an extra good run of custom. Their store is head quarters for all valley sportsmen who know that they can there find the very latest and best in guns, revolvers, knives, fishing poles and lines, in fact, everything that a hunter or fisher can need.

There is never any diminution in the sales of G. W. Johnson & Son. All residents of both Polk and Marion counties are becoming so well acquainted with their methods of business that they as naturally go there for all needed clothing, as a duck takes to the water. This house is never behind with their new invoices, and as they purchase from only the best wholesale houses, always have on hand the very latest styles to be obtained.

Harritt & McIntire are closing out their stock of glassware and crockery, and you can now obtain anything in that line at a decided discount. Go and see what excellent assortment they have.

While making your next trip to Salem, take over that disabled chair or worn-out lounge and have them fixed up by that master upholsterer, J. W. Thornburg, in the State Insurance block.

Cronise & Craven, at their studio on State street, are still taking negatives of all persons who desire the work of superior artists, and can give you as nice a picture as any photographer in the state.

Mrs. S. C. Reed, in the few months that she has been doing business in the capital city, has become noted for her superb taste in millinery matters and the elegance of the stock which she always has on hand. Her prices are suitable to these hard times and you will miss it by not patronizing her.

Frank Dearborn always has on hand the very latest of the standard papers and magazines, and his stock of books and stationery is not excelled by any store in the valley.

When you wish to select from the very latest patterns in dress goods, be sure and call at the old reliable White Corner. Remember that Mr. Myers is sole agent for the best coat in the market—the Thompson gown fitting—and if you have never worn one, you should do so at once. They also carry a large assortment of men and boys clothing.

When you need anything in the undertaking line, it will be materially to your advantage to call upon A. M. Clough, the State street undertaker and embalmer, who has a fine assortment from which to select.

Sroat & Gile are the most enterprising grocers in the staff of clerks, always having on hand the very best of both Oregon and California products. Give them a trial.

When next in Salem be sure and take your dinner at Sirog's restaurant, than which there is no better in the state of Oregon. They take especial pride in the getting up of fine dinners.

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Dried fruit, per pound, 10 @20 cts.
Beets, per pound, 2 cts.
Turnips, per pound, 2 cts.
Cabbage, per pound, 3 cts.
Onions, per pound, 4 cts.
Beans, per pound, 5 cts.
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In regard to ditch dug in front of Hoffman & Sons store, at Lewisville:

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EN ITEMIZER: At last we are enjoying spring weather. Have had a long, long winter. Since the middle of the month the weather has been good; but the first half was a little too bad to talk about. The rains have given place to nice warm showers of rain. The grass is starting, but not yet enough to be of any great benefit; still will keep alive if stock is about all. Stock generally is in poor condition. In the neighborhood there has been no hay to speak of for some time and of course as the snow did not go until just lately the stock that was kept in the winter has suffered. It has been said that the grass on the desert was good, but judging by the looks of the straggling bunches of cattle that are making their way to the summer range, it is not so. There has been some mistake. A band of horses was brought up to-day which do not look as if they had had more pasture than they needed. There has been no plowing done yet. The ground will be thawed sufficiently soon. During next month grain will be sowed, for hay, by those who try to raise grain hay. There are more who depend altogether on the wild hay than there should be; still it costs quite a good bit of labor to put the land in condition to plow and sow. Favorable years good hay—excellent—can be raised from rye, wheat, oats or barley. Some times there is too much frost, through the summer for it to do as well as it should while other years it matures pretty good grain. Last year was unfavorable, probably this year will be better. The ground will be in the main grain used, being more hardy. J. S. Bogue has wintered his sheep in very good condition. The hay ran out but by buying some and the brome they could get through all right. He will market his clip of wool in the Willamette Valley. Sheeprae a little on the decline as to price. Has been but one or two buyers in the month the schools have quit. Our school has not yet begun, Mrs. D. W. Aldridge is engaged to teach providing it does not become necessary for them to move back to Prineville and take charge of the Prineville News again. I think the schools throughout the country are proportionate—wages to teachers range from \$40 to \$60 per month.

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NO BETTER PROOF.

KNOWN ALL OVER
AS THE BEST

Establishing the Townsend-Buell road; Supervisor authorized to take two men and flag said road on May 8th.

Mrs. P. E. Wilcox was allowed a tax rebate of \$24.

Notice of Teachers Examination.
Notice is hereby given that for the purpose of making an examination of all who offer themselves as candidates for teachers of this county, the county school superintendent thereof will hold a public examination at Dallas, on Wednesday, the 10th day of May, at 10 o'clock. Graduates of chartered institutions of this state and others eligible, desiring state diplomas or certificates will present themselves for examination, at the same time and place.

Dated at Dallas, Polk county, Oregon, this 26th day of April, 1893.

T. O. HUTCHINSON,
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A Canada Cheese at the Fair.
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