

Personal and Otherwise

E. J. McClanahan of Eugene is in town on business.

Mrs. Clara DeLassus returned from a visit to Eugene on Wednesday.

Marion Veatch's father has been quite ill for several days and is still quite sick.

Frank Wheeler returned from Portland on Tuesday and says he had a good trip.

U. of O. classes will be dismissed until after the holidays, on account of smallpox patients.

If the best is none too good for your eyes consult Dr. Lowe from Dec. 15 to noon of 16th.

Hon. R. A. Booth returned to Eugene on Wednesday from a two months visit in the east.

Blankets, just the kind to coax you to bed early. Take a look at Lurch's and get the best.

From noon Friday to noon Saturday Dec. 15th and 16th, Dr. Lowe the optician will be at Hotel Graham.

The Leader office is prepared to turn out the very highest class of commercial job printing. We guarantee satisfaction.

A Xmas present that will be appreciated by anyone, is a box of Aldon's Famous Chocolates and Bon Bons, to be had at The Wave.

Lurch's is the place for rain coats for men or women and now is the time to get them. Don't wait until you get soaking wet a few times.

The Commercial Club is after new members. If you don't belong now is a good time to get in line. It will help you and the town too.

The Foresters Masquerade Ball in the Opera House, Monday evening, December 25, will be the event of the season. Maskers \$1. Spectators 25¢.

Councilman Johnson is expecting to get away for a few days rest soon, as the wear and strain of equipping their new store has been too much for him.

Mrs. F. E. Billington is in Eugene visiting the family of Rev. and Mrs. M. F. Horn while Mr. Billington is holding special meetings at Harrisburg.

The presence of the travelling fraternity is a little slack just now and will be until after Christmas. The merchants don't have time to buy, only to sell just now.

Col. Robt. M. Veatch of Cottage Grove was among the large number who called at the office of Gov. Chamberlain to offer advice on the choosing of a senator.—Salem Journal.

Mr. D. T. Awbrey is seriously considering having to retire from the express business on account of the close confinement to his work, and the consequent strain on his health. Just what he will do should he retire he has not decided upon.

The Owl lunch counter is to be open for business by Saturday night and this will complete the changes in the old Imperial hotel for a time at least. The new billiard room is kept busy all the time and is proving to be a paying investment.

It is expected that most of the gold dust stolen by the Seattle Mint official Geo. E. Adams, will be recovered, which however will not restore the feeling of insecurity that the miners and business men of Seattle now have in their dealings with the mint.

The ground is being prepared and the trenches dug for the foundations of the new livery stable, on Third street. Mr. Garoutte hopes to have the building go up rapidly. The greatest delay will be with the lumber. The stable would have been up before this had the lumber been on hand.

Owing to several mild cases of smallpox that have broken out at the university dormitory, classes will be dismissed and the dormitory thoroughly fumigated as well as the other buildings in order that the trouble may be promptly stopped and the danger of contagion removed.

Welch & Woods, The Vogu Griffin & Veatch, The Ideal, Mad sen, Metcalf & Brund, The New Era Drug Store and the Leader are going to carry out the flag contest. They are going to boom it and make a success of it. If you don't believe it ask them. They will give you coupons, maybe even if you don't want them. Get after the coupons for your society. Ask the firms for them. If they don't have them they can get them at Welch & Woods.

Mrs. Bartels is laid up with rheumatism and is having a very hard time of it.

Benson is fixing up for the masquerade ball—with masks of every description.

J. L. Stratford will preach morning and evening at the M. E. church Sunday.

S. O. Hamblin came down from camp on Monday and will be around town for a time.

Dr. Kime is comfortably settled in his new office and is much pleased with his change.

Joe Miller has sold his restaurant business to Roy C. Hutchinson who will conduct it hereafter.

A neat line of Books, Poems and Bibles, suitable for Xmas presents at reduced prices, at The Wave.

J. H. Bartels is putting down a cement walk along the Fourth street side of his residence property.

Aldon's Chocolates and Bon Bons, the finest line of Xmas candies ever displayed in Cottage Grove, at The Wave.

Report has it that old Mr. Taylor is having a very serious time with his throat and that much anxiety is felt over his condition.

Wagonmaking, blacksmithing and general repair work at J. H. Baker's shop. Every guarantee of good workmanship given.

For Friday and to Saturday noon Dr. Lowe the oculo-optician will be at Hotel Graham. Remember the days as he will not send any circulars this trip.

Mr. Bartels expects to start on the installation of the cold storage room in his market next week and it won't be long before the best of meat can be had right from this plant.

T. K. Campbell is about to open an office in the vacant room at the corner of 2nd and Main streets, where he will be prepared to conduct a Lumbermen's Manufacturers Agency.

Some people are complaining of not having much Christmas coming this year, but from the crowds of children and older people buying, some body has money to spend at any rate.

The Guard says that the University students who are in quarantine at Salem are having much enjoyment out of their telephone listed on the exchange as the "Dormitory Pesthouse."

Probably the only fancy dress ball of the winter season will be given in the Opera House, Monday evening, December 25, by the Foresters of America. Maskers are coming from both Eugene and Roseburg.

Revival services will be conducted at the Presbyterian church both morning and evening Sunday, the Rev. Meunt will preach. Morning subject, "Waiting on God," evening subject, "God's Love." All are cordially invited to attend.

The board is looking up the books for the new school library, and had the pleasure of an interview with a publishing house agent this last week. Their temper may have been on the ragged edge for a while but they still held to their places on the board.

Mrs. J. H. Warner is watching with much interest the various chicken and poultry shows along the coast, for they do not care to exhibit any of their birds, except at shows where there is a great deal of competition and close marking, for their aim is to breed none but the very best.

Game warden Baker has added a new departure to his office in the establishing of a free reading room and library on the game laws of this state and others, which is well equipped with magazines and papers. The Game warden says he needs a stenographer but the state is too poor to afford him one.

Salem officials have been so careful of their records that they stored them to safely away and forgot where they put them, and have only just found a batch of original ordinances which have been missing for several years. Their discovery will clear up a number of disputed points.

The wandering sign painter that painted the steer head on J. H. Bartel's sign on his new building was evidently not acquainted with the kind of cattle Mr. Bartels handles. Mr. Bartels says: "I don't have thin, scrawny cattle like that, make him big and fat." Consequently the sign painter will have to remodel his ideas.

Mr. F. D. Wheeler went to Portland Saturday on business and returned the first of the week.

Tom Jenkins says he has no kick coming on slackness of trade, as he never has been able even to have a night off hardly without there being a lot of work piled up. He is now busy fixing up John Barker's saloon, and is doing a job that would be credit to any town. It is to be the finest work of the kind ever done in the town.

J. M. Bartels recently received a letter from a former resident of this place, J. McCreary, who is now located at Coffeyville, Kansas, where he is conducting a thriving real estate business. Mr. McCreary is much pleased to know that Mr. Bartels business has grown to such an extent as to enable him to build such a fine building and plant, and is greatly interested in the welfare of the Grove.

Miss Mabel Mickey, a teacher in the West Side School was compelled to leave her classes Monday morning on account of a very sudden severe illness. The board made some lively efforts to secure a competent teacher to take her place, and secured Miss Myrtle Purvance, who went immediately to the school so that the children lost no time. She has charge of the 4th and 5th grades in Miss Mickey's absence.

Mr. Garoutte has sold a piece of land 20 feet by 96 feet off the land recently bought by him on Third street to Burkholder & Hemenway for \$500. Messrs Burkholder and Hemenway intend to use the ground to construct a first class ware house on, and the requirements of their trade makes it necessary for them to carry a much larger stock of goods on hand and more room must be had in the store.

It would seem that the sea-level canal proposition on the isthmus is more favored than the summit-level proposition with locks. The latter, it is claimed, can be completed in the course of eight or ten years, with a cost estimated at \$300,000,000; while the former system will cost \$30,000,000 more and take more time for completion. However, it must have advantages which have offset its greater cost and time for completion, as the board of advisory engineers of the commission has carried the sea-level scheme by a small majority.

Prof. Strange is quite pleased over the school record this month. There are fifty-eight scholars enrolled in the High School and two of the grades have made records for fewness of tardiness. Miss White's room takes first place with only one tardiness and Miss Kelley's second, with only two. The professor thinks that the parents had not realized the importance of the children being on time, until their attention was called to it, and when it was they went to work to have the boys and girls get to school on time. It always pays for anybody and everybody to be on time, first last and all the time.

It is well to remember that crops must grow and ripen before they are ready for harvest. The man who plants an apple tree and then pulls it up by the roots in a day or so because it has borne no fruit is something like the man who stops his advertisement because he has not noticed results pouring in after the first or second insertion. The advertisement is not like the strong-arm method. It does not force customers to come to you, willy nilly. It entices them and its effects are gentle and persistent rather than violent. It does not leave them breathless and angered because their money is gone, but they have a kindly feeling of pleasure in their own ability to choose, unaware that the advertisement drew and persuaded them.—Tradesman.

A New Partner.

Wm. Hogate has sold his interest in the Wynne Hardware Co. to C. C. Hazelton, and for a time will be a man of leisure.

Grange Starts Circulation of Initiative Petitions.

Oregon City, Or., Dec. 12.—Initiative petitions, originating with an executive committee of the state Grange, and proposing the enactment of laws licencing various corporations, are being circulated in this county under the direction of William Grisenthwaite, of the county, who is superintending this work in the state under the direction of the members of the executive committee.

One of the petitions seeks to create laws imposing a license of 3 per cent on the gross receipts of sleeping cars, refrigerator cars and oil companies. Another asks that a law be enacted exacting a license of 3 per cent of the gross earnings of express companies and a license of 2 per cent on the same basis from telegraph and telephone companies.

High School.

The basket ball team is practicing hard now to play in Eugene next Saturday. We hope they will carry our colors to victory again.

Alice Huff was absent from school last Friday afternoon.

Last Wednesday afternoon, one of our directors, Mr. F. B. Phillips, visited the senior economic class. He reported having enjoyed the recitation very much. The class would like very much to have any one, who can, visit them in their studies.

Monday's recitation in economics was a discussion relating to bimetalism and monometallism. The papers and notes were well prepared and it proved an interesting lesson. Our economics is a very interesting study and should have a great deal of attention paid to it by the pupils.

School Report.

Cottage Grove Public Schools Monthly Report.

Month ending Dec. 8, 1905.

	Boys	Girls
Total enrollment.....	196	218
New enrollment.....	5	8
Days attendance.....	3015 1/2	3253
Days absence.....	194 1/2	221 1/2
Av. daily attendance.....	167.5	180.7
Av. No. belonging.....	178.3	193
Times tardy.....	51	68
Number of days taught, 18 holidays, 2.		

C. L. STRANGE, Supt. of Schools

Albany Power Plant is Sold.

The fine plant of the Albany Light & Water Company was today transferred to Rhodes, Sinkler & Butcher, the Philadelphia banking house which has gained control of nearly all of the electric light and water systems in the valley, and is now constructing an electric road from and water systems in the valley, and is one of the best in the state, the recent owners having reconstructed it within the past two years.

Albany people are much pleased over the transfer, as they believe it means Albany will be in the network of electric roads which the new company has promised to build in the Willamette Valley. The consideration of the sale was withheld.

The Society Contest.

The contest for that Beautiful American silk flag is opening up with quite an interest and hundreds of votes are now coming in every day for the various societies of Cottage Grove.

The following is the result of contest according to the last count of ballots:

G. A. R.	4786
High School	2132
W. O. W.	479
Public School	423
Junior Foresters of America.....	424
M. W. A.	216
K. of P.	105
H. T. B.	47
I. O. O. F.	13
Maccabees.....	12
Masons	6
Methodist	5
'Y'	1

Basket Ball Team and May the Best Team Win.

This afternoon Eugene and Cottage Grove basket ball teams play a return game at the Eugene Armory. The Eugene boys are especially anxious to defeat the town boys, in as much as they suffered defeat themselves last time.

We of course want to see the local team win, but always want to see the best team win, whether our favorite team or not. The line up will be:

Eugene	C. G.
Watson	o
Smith	g
Farrington	g
Hurd	f
King	f
	Earl

A Stray Dog.

A black and tan bound is at my ranch 18 miles south of town. The owner can have dog by paying for this advertisement and 50c a day for care of dog.

E. L. SHORTRIDGE.

Spauldings Buy New Mill.

Independence, Or., Dec. 12.—The Spaulding Lumber Company has bought the Independence sawmill from F. A. Doty and the land on either side of the slough across the river, leased by the same company. The mill has been idle for the want of logs, and much lumber has been shipped in. The Spaulding Company operates mills above and below this point, with one at Salem and a large body of timber on the Lmekiamute, and the mill at this place will be in line with its other interests.—Guard.

Albany Will Have Filtering Plant.

Albany, Ore., Dec. 14.—Rhodes, Sinkler & Butcher, the new owners

of the Albany Light & Water Company's plant in Albany, will give the first improvement to the nature of a filter station for all water used in town immediately. The company has purchased land near Elkins Falls in the canyon about one mile from Albany, and will construct a large reservoir and filtering station, capable of filtering 150,000 gallons of water per day.

The water used by Albany people comes from the South Santiam river, near Lebanon. It is taken from the river in a canal and flows through the prairie 14 miles before reaching Albany. While it is good mountain water at the start, it becomes more or less impure before reaching Albany, after flowing through fields, pastures, etc. in many instances being close to barn lots. The new arrangement will, it is claimed, give Albany the best water in the valley, outside of Portland.

If the new proprietors of the electric works should desire to construct an electric plant at the Falls where the reservoir is to be built, sufficient power could be generated from the falls to do away with the town plant. This is a move often contemplated by the old company.

Seattle Man Would Install Gas Plant in Albany.

Albany, Ore., Dec. 14.—Albany is now wrestling with the franchise question. J. J. Chambers of Seattle, applied to the council last evening for a franchise to use the streets of Albany for the operation of gas works, promising to put in a complete system. An ordinance was introduced and read twice, proposing to give Chambers a franchise for 50 years. The question will come up for final consideration at the next meeting, December 26.

Eugene Man Will Plant Out Thousand Trees at One Setting.

Eugene, Ore., Dec. 13.—Realizing that the supply of chittim bark (Cascara Sagrada) will be exhausted in this part of the state within a few years, Dr. L. W. Brown recently contracted for 1000 plants of the chittim tree, which he will set out on his farm southwest of this city. The sprouts, when planted, grow very rapidly, and it will not be long before they will be in bearing. The last load of the young trees on the contract was delivered to Dr. Brown yesterday, and in the early spring he will plant them.

After a chittim tree is peeled of its bark it dies. During the past few years the chittim industry has thrived in Lane county, hundreds of men and boys being employed at peeling bark. The trees are fast being thinned out, and it will not be long before they are extinct in this part of the state, unless others, like Dr. Brown, do not take the precaution to set out new groves.

A Strong Point by Spencer.

A pamphlet has just been received containing the address delivered by Samuel Spencer before the Board of Trade of the city of Newark, N. J., recently. Discussing the extent of the real demand for governmental rate-making, Mr. Spencer says:

"If the necessity for governmental rate-making exists, the reasons therefor certainly should have been made evidence before congress by witnesses representing the substantial, industrial and commercial interests affected by such necessity. Such evidence is conspicuously absent, and I challenge a thorough reading of the voluminous testimony taken before the Committees of the House and Senate for a contradiction of this statement."

"Upon the contrary, the representation of the commercial and industrial interests of this county, now so prosperous and thriving, were substantially unanimous in the view that rates made under existing conditions are in the main satisfactory as could be expected under any method of procedure, and that a change from rate-making by the responsible managers of the properties to rate-making by a governmental tribunal is not only undesirable, but would prove dangerous, if not vicious.

"Let us review very briefly the claims of those who advocate conferring even a limited rate-making power upon the Interstate Commerce Commission. The advocacy comes under the misleading guise that it is not the power to make high rates which is claimed, but the right to revise existing rates when unreasonable or unjust; that is, that the power to make initial rates or schedules shall not be granted, but only the power to revise an existing rate. Initial rate-making can scarcely be said to exist any longer in this country. The naming of a new rate must almost invariably be the revision of an existing one, and the right to revise one is necessarily the right to revise all. Therefore, to grant to the Commission the right to make any and all rates in the sense that rates are now made."



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Wholesale Grocery House of Wadhams & Kerr Bros. Completely Destroyed.

Portland, Dec. 13.—Four firemen were injured and property valued at about \$175,000 was destroyed by a fire which broke out in the wholesale grocery house of Wadhams & Kerr Bros. Front and Oak streets, at 3:45 o'clock this morning.

Although streams from six engines and three lines of hose from the fireboat Geo. H. Williams poured water on the burning structure, it was nearly 9 o'clock before Chief David Campbell gave the order to shut down.

It is believed the fire was caused by a defective flue. When discovered by Watchman Gassett, who saw the flames coming from the rear of the building, it had gained such headway that Chief Campbell considered the house doomed.

While working on the second floor where the flames were eating their way among inflammable goods Edward Hewston, of Truck No. 1; Leo Ward of Engine No. 1; Captain Gao W. Stokes of Engine No. 1 and Thomas Kovaney of Truck No. 2 were precipitated to the lower floor by the sudden collapse of the floor upon which they were standing. Efforts were centered upon the recovery of the firemen who were burned under a mass wreckage, tea chests, woodenware and canned goods. In ten minutes the men were removed from the building and given attention.

The loss will be hard to determine. The Kerr Glass Manufacturing company in the same building carried a stock valued at about \$5000,000 on which the loss will be very heavy. Some of the canned goods stock of the grocery house can be saved. The insurance amounts to about \$80,000. The firms have cancelled all outstanding orders, and are devoting their entire attention to the establishment of their stock in different quarters, which will take many weeks.