

# Polk County Observer.

## Our Sale Continues

Having removed our entire stock to Falls City, our Clearance Sale will continue in the departments where we are overstocked. Our Bargain Counters there will be filled with things you can use. You can buy from us at Wholesale Prices. : : : : : : : :

## We Want Your Produce

And will pay you for coming to trade at our new store. Remember that we carry everything, and always at the lowest prices.

## Bryan-Lucas Lumber Company

Falls City, Oregon

### PAWNING HIS DIAMONDS

Clever Swindler Buncoes a Few People in Medford.

A itinerant peddler circulated among some of our citizens a few days ago. The man had a few fine diamonds that he wanted to raise a dollar or two on, to "keep him until he could get some money." He didn't want but just a little money, so that he could redeem his jewels the easier. Among the gems were one or two that were the real thing, but although these were the ones he showed, they were not the ones the customer received. His hand forgot it's cunning once, however, and he handed out a ring with a real diamond in it. After he discovered his loss, he was not long in "redeeming" the ring, and soon after faded away into the darkness, seeking pastures new. Several people have his diamonds in their possession, but they are not exhibiting them much nowadays.—Medford Mail.

Legal blanks for sale, at this office.

### OREGON'S BLUE RIBBON

### STATE FAIR

SALEM

September 14-19, 1903

The Greatest Exposition and Live Stock Show on the Pacific Coast

High Class Racing every p. m.

\$12,000 CASH PREMIUMS on Live Stock and Farm Products

All Exhibits hauled free over the Southern Pacific

Reduced transportation rates on all lines

LIVE STOCK AUCTION SALE held in connection with Fair

Fine camping ground free and reduced rates on camper's tickets. Come and bring your families. For further information, write

M. D. WISDOM, Secretary  
Portland, Oregon

### LOW RATES TO SEASIDE

Fast Through Train Service Between Portland and All Beach Points After July 6.

Commencing Monday July 6th, the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad Company again resumed its Summer Special Seaside Schedule, and trains leaving Union Depot Portland at 8:00 a. m. daily will run through direct without transfer at Astoria to all Clatsop Beach points, arriving at Astoria 11:30 A. M., Gearhart Park 12:20 p. m., and Seaside 12:30 p. m., making direct connection at Warrenton for Flavel.

Beginning Saturday July 11th, and every Saturday thereafter the popular Portland-Seaside Flyer will leave Union Depot at 2:30 p. m., arriving at Astoria 5:50 p. m., Gearhart Park 6:40 p. m. and Seaside 6:50 p. m., making direct connection at Warrenton for Flavel.

In connection with this improved service, round trip season excursion tickets between Portland and all Clatsop and North Beach points are sold at \$4.00 for round trip, and Saturday Special round trip tickets between same points, good for return passage Sunday, at \$2.50 for round trip. Special Season Commutation tickets, good for 5 round trips, from Portland to all Clatsop and North Beach points sold for \$15.00. Beach excursion tickets sold by the O. R. & N. Co. will be honored on trains of this company in either direction between Portland and Astoria.

For additional information address J. C. Mayo, G. F. & P. A., Astoria, or E. L. Lewis, Comm'l. Agt., 248 Alder St., Portland, Ore. Write for the novel and catchy Seaside pamphlet just issued telling all about Summer Girls, Sea Serpents and Sunsets at Seaside.

### Excursion Rates To Yaquina Bay.

On June 1, the Southern Pacific Company resumed the sale of Excursion tickets to Newport and Yaquina Bay. This resort is becoming more popular every year, and hotel accommodations are better than ever before, and at reasonable rates. Season tickets from Derry to Newport \$4.50; to Yaquina \$4.00; Saturday-to-Monday tickets to Newport \$2.65.

You Know What You Are Taking When you take Groves' Tasteless Chill Tonic because the formula is plainly printed on every bottle, showing that it is simply Iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. No Cure, No Pay. 5c.

### WHITE BLACKBERRIES

Fruit Is Fine for Table Use, and Bushes Bear Until Christmas.

White blackberries are growing in profusion this summer, on the ranch of R. Heimbach, at Hillsdale. The berry is a hybrid propagated from shoots received some time ago from the East.

Mr. Heimbach is the first in this part of the country who has been able to raise the berry, which has always been considered a freak fruit.

He does not intend, however, to grow it as a novelty, but as a crop, believing that Oregon soil is just the soil for the berry. The half a dozen bushes will bear until Christmas, when other berries will be gone. Mr. Heimbach brought several boxes to The Telegram office, and with the white were quite a number of delicious red blackberries.

The berry is of a fair size almost transparent, and the seeds are very small. The flavor is much milder than that of the other berries. These white berries are a fine table fruit, but they will probably not stand shipping, as they are quite soft.—Telegram.

An Independence item in Saturday's Oregonian says: "The Independence and Monmouth Water & Electric Light Company today secured control of the water power of Sidney, one of the best waterfalls in the state. Steps have already been taken, whereby the water and electric light plants at Independence and Monmouth will be run by power furnished from this source. Wiring and setting poles will be commenced the coming week."

### Eat All You Want.

Persons troubled with indigestion or Dyspepsia can eat all they want if they will take Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. This remedy prepares the stomach for the reception, retention, digestion and assimilation of all of the wholesome food that may be eaten, and enables the digestive organs to transform the same into the kind of blood that gives health and strength. Sold by Belt & Cherrington.

SICK HEADACHE ABSOLUTELY and permanently cured by using Moki Tea. A pleasant herb drink. Cures constipation and indigestion, makes you eat, sleep, work and happy. Satisfaction guaranteed or money back. 25 cts. and 50 cts. Belt & Cherrington, Dallas, Oregon.

### WHERE ROLLS THE OREGON

Dallas Boy Writes Entertainingly of His Trip Up Columbia River.

"Lost myself in the continuous woods where rolls the Oregon, and bears no sound save his own dashings."

We were floating on the bosom of the majestic Columbia. On the right hand rose towering in their verdant glory the green-clad hills of Oregon. Along the left lay the shores of Washington, pinnacled and crowned with palisades. 'Twas twilight with the first glimmer of a star, as, to me, through the stillness came these noble words of Bryant:

To those who have read and enjoyed Thanatopsis comes a far greater enjoyment when privileged to feast the eye and soul upon the scenes of which the poet has so sweetly sung. Though the name "Oregon," scented with ancient romance, and coming from whence no man knows, has given place to full, majestic "Columbia," the river is still the same as when God traced its course with His finger, and for an heritage gave it kingship over Western streams. For more than a century, men have attempted, with brush and pen, pictures that would adequately describe the Northern gateway to the Pacific. But, as Nature is the one perfect artist, only to those who have seen with their eyes is it privileged to fully know this matchless handiwork of God. Eagles circling in clouds, through which, towering ever upward, rise the snow-clad mountain sentinels; cascades and waterfalls that shower themselves about the shoulders of the mountains in a thousand Bridal Veils; gorges that render asunder the eternal hills; forests of emerald, that quench their thirst at the water's edge, there rise to kiss the blue of heaven. If, as ancient Wisdom said, great thoughts and intellects are conceived and begotten under Nature in her sublimity, what a race of giants must one day issue from this Western land!

Our good boat bravely faces the current, pressing deeper and deeper into the Inland Empire, on by Castle Rock and the great mountain face that lies profiled as if slumbering from the long vigil that he kept o'er the river and forest primeval. We wonder what tales that mouth of stone might tell of days long gone: of Indian warriors, stern and painted, that sped their bark canoes to scenes of bloody strife; of tawny braves that wooed and won the dark-eyed maiden by the stream. But on we speed; now within the shadows that lie beneath towering columns of granite; now upon wavelets, moonlit, that ride between broad and sweeping shores, until, at length, the river narrows and the waters rush with the fury of unchained demons. Our little vessel struggles like a thing alive in billows white with rage. She fights the throttling grasp as long as handiwork of man may dare to cope with Nature in her madness; then, with the gracefulness of honorable defeat, glides out from thundering turmoil into a quiet haven. The Cascades of the Columbia, with all their wealth of romantic legend, roll and rage before us. We will linger here awhile and listen to the tale that the waters murmur and the red men tell.

In the time now many suns ago, before the valley and the forest knew the tread of white men, and the streams the glint of sunlight on a sail—where now the Cascades in whirlpool rage—spanned the "Bridge of the Gods," and to his dark-skinned children the Father Spirit told that while the Bridge should stand the Indian Brave would roam the land and reign supreme.

The word was true. Stalwart sons sprang from noble sires, and first of all the tribes were the Willamettes, and Multnomah was their chief. The game in the hills was theirs and the fish in a thousand streams, and they knew no foe to fear. The great river flowed not as it now flows with

angry thunders; but swept in contentment beneath its God-framed archway. Thus, for many suns, Multnomah ruled until the raven locks of youth had changed to wintry locks of snow. Then the spirits of the twin mountains grew angry and their rage shook the valleys and forced asunder the hills. The brave heart of Multnomah felt the coming of the red man's doom, yet felt no fear. From his lodge he stalked at midnight, and, guiding from the shore his dark canoe, sped through currents throbbing with hidden calamity to the Island of his Dead. In its darkness he sought and found the withered form of her whom he had loved and wooed when the subtle strength of youth was in his heart and arm. He clasped her in a last, long, wild embrace, and waited for the end.

It came. The mountain demons broke their chains and opened forth their vials of awful rage. From their bowels lesser mountains hurled, and molten oceans drowned the valleys and the hills. Lightnings rent lurid chasms in the sky; thunders bellowed forth eternal doom. Then through the chaos came a sound unspeakable, shaking earth and rending sky. The "Bridge of the Gods" had fallen, and with it had fallen the red man.

### JOHN VERNON IS DEAD

Pioneer of 1853 Passes Away at His Home Near Rickreall.

John Vernon, an old and highly-respected pioneer of Polk County, died at his home, three miles east of Rickreall, Saturday evening. He had been in poor health for the past two years, and his death resulted from a complication of ailments. The remains were buried at Salt Creek, Monday.

John Vernon was born in Cole County, Missouri, May 28, 1830. In 1853 he crossed the plains to Oregon. Being without money he drove a team for his board, arriving at Oregon City in the Autumn of 1853. Early in the following Spring he moved to Polk County, settling near Buell, where he resided until 1863, when he purchased the farm where he has since resided. In 1858 he was married to Miss S. J. Byerley, a native of Indiana, and a pioneer of 1852. In addition to his widow, Mr. Vernon is survived by eight children, all of whom are grown. They are: Mrs. J. A. Allen, Mrs. J. W. Allen, Mrs. John Young, Alfred and Alice, of Rickreall; Alton, of Ballston; Mrs. J. W. Buster, of Independence, and John H., of Oregon City.

Deceased served in the Indian War of 1855, and under the late Colonel J. W. Nesmith.

### A GHASTLY FIND

Decomposed Body of Unknown Man Found in Willamette River.

The body of an unknown man was found floating in the Willamette river, opposite the old Ankeny place, near Independence, Thursday afternoon. The body was found by C. S. Cooper, who tied it securely to the bank of the river, and at once sent word to Coroner Cary. The coroner being absent from the city, Justice of the Peace Hardy Holman repaired to the scene and took possession of the corpse.

Friday morning the acting coroner empaneled a jury and held an inquest, but nothing was brought to light to establish the identity of the dead man.

The body had been in the river for several months and was in a bad state of decomposition, all the flesh from the face and head being entirely gone. The body was clothed in a suit of plain working clothes and a pair of heavy leather boots. The pockets were empty, and nothing whatever was found by which the remains could be identified. The unknown corpse was taken to Independence for burial.

[LATER: It is reported that the body was identified by a Mrs. Armstrong as that of her husband. The Armstrong family lived near the Willamette River, between Buena Vista and Albany, and about five months ago Mr. Armstrong left home to attend a school meeting and was never seen nor heard of afterward. How he came to his death in the icy waters of the Willamette River will probably forever remain a mystery.]

Visitors to the Oregon state fair this fall will witness the greatest racing ever seen in this state. Salem business men have raised a purse of \$2000 for 2:17 pacers to be raced for on Salem Day, which has 30 horses entered. These horses are from the best stables in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, California and Montana, and it is expected at least twenty of them will start, furnishing the largest field of high-class horses ever seen on a track on the Pacific coast. Portland, too, has contributed a purse of \$2000 for 2:20 trotters to be raced for on Portland Day. This race has 27 horses entered, of which most of them will start, making two of the greatest racing events ever held this side the Rocky mountains. If you are fond of high-class racing, don't miss seeing these two events.

ACKER'S DYSPEPSIA TABLETS are sold on a positive guarantee. Cures heart-burn, raising of the food, distress after eating or any form of dyspepsia. One little tablet gives immediate relief. 25 cts. and 50 cts. Belt & Cherrington, Dallas, Oregon.

### THE OLD RELIABLE



ROYAL BAKING POWDER Absolutely Pure THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE

### FARM HOUSE BURNED

Adam Loop and Family Lose Greater Part of Their Household Goods by Fire.

A brisk fire occurred at Smithfield early Monday morning, entirely destroying a farm residence owned by Hon. G. W. Myer. The house was occupied by Adam Loop and family, recent arrivals from the East. Mrs. Loop was alone in the house when the fire started, and by the time the alarm could be given and help arrived at the scene, the blaze had gained such great headway that it was impossible to check it. Mr. Myer, the owner of the house, was the first to arrive, but owing to a scarcity of water he was unable to stop the progress of the fire. About one-half of the household goods were saved. Mr. Myer estimates his loss at \$600, an important item of which was a private library which he had left in the house when he moved to an adjoining farm a few months ago. Neither the building nor its contents were insured.

### ILLNESS PROVED FATAL

F. A. Kemp Died at His Home Near Airlie, Sunday.

F. A. Kemp, one of the most successful hoggrowers in the Southern portion of Polk county, died at his home near Airlie, Sunday. He had been a sufferer from stomach trouble for several months. He was about 55 years of age, and left a wife and four children.

### LARGEST ADVERTISERS

Who They Are and How Much They Are Supposed to Spend.

In reply to the question, "Who are the ten largest advertisers in the United States, and what is the approximate amount of money each spends annually in advertising?" Printers' Ink says:

The firms quoted below are considered the largest advertisers in this country. Whether the amounts set against their names are correct or nearly correct is a question: American Tobacco Co., \$1,000,000; Dr. Pierce, \$750,000; C. I. Hood & Co., \$750,000; Peruna Co., \$500,000; Castoria, \$500,000; National Biscuit Co., \$500,000; Force Food Co., \$500,000; Procter & Gamble, Ivory soap, \$500,000; J. C. Ayer & Co., \$350,000; Lydia Pinkham, \$350,000; Scott & Bowne, \$300,000; Royal Baking Powder, \$250,000; Postum Food Co., \$200,000; total, \$6,450,000.

The total amount expended for all sorts of publicity in this country has been estimated to be as much as \$600,000,000. Probably \$200,000,000 would come nearer the fact.

On August 10, 1903, there were advertised letters in the Dallas postoffice for Miss Edna Bowen, Mrs. M. H. Roberts, Myrtle Hart, Miss Bertha Tripp, Miss Cecil Taylor, Mrs. Clarence Turnidge, Granville Brown, J. Carrington, P. Ellas and Wm. M. Green. C. G. COAD, Postmaster.

### Played Out.

Dull Headache, Pains in various parts of the body, Sinking at the Pit of the Stomach, Loss of Appetite, Fervidness, Pimples or Sores are all positive evidences of impure blood. No matter how it became so, it must be purified in order to obtain good health. Acker's Blood Elixir has never failed to cure Scrofulous or Syphilitic poisons or any other blood diseases. It is certainly a wonderful remedy and we sell every bottle on a positive guarantee. Belt & Cherrington, Dallas, Oregon.