

TOWN TALK BY THE TOWN CAT

Every town has its tom cat and Independence is no exception to the rule. While most tom cats are yellow our tom cat is white with a white star on its breast. He is like all tom cats—he is lazy and sleepy during the day and roams about during the night, and if there is anything on his beat you will always find him next. In other words he is wise. Yesterday morning Tom came crawling in along in the wee small hours, and if you ever saw a woe-begone, dejected being he was the worst. And talk of a hard luck story. Well he told the toughest you ever heard promulgated.

"Well, Tom, where have you been all night," we asked, as he settled down to take his usual morning nap.

"Been out with the bunch," he replied, with an attempt to evade the question. "Talk about luck. What I ran up against last night would jar you. In fact I have had no luck since I turned over my star. Got tired of wearing it without remuneration and just turned it over to the other fellow who was willing to tote it around for the glory. Ever since I gave it up luck has turned against me and I tell you what, I am going to try and get that star back again. People respect a star, even if there are no prerequisites attached to it.

"Did you hear about the crawfish party Tuesday night. Wouldn't it bust your buttons? It was one of those events that was to have been but which turned out to be a pipe dream."

"How is that?" we asked.

"You see, crawfish parties have become fashionable so I concluded to get in the game. Now you know that there is nothing more tempting than a large juicy crawfish cooked in wine and spiced up to the queen's taste. Yum, yum; it makes my mouth water to think of it.

"After squaring myself with Fritz by the aid of a fifteen cent tip, I hiked over to Ma's house and put her next. We invited a little party of our own set with the intention of having a crawfish feed on the Q. T. But you have been here long enough to know that you can't do anything in this man's town but what everybody knows it and just before the time the goods were to be delivered the "bunch" got next and they became busy at once. What do you think, they sent a special messenger down to Fritz and he turned over the entire cheese to him and the banquet was off. After waiting for nearly an hour after the time set for the spread to arrive I started out to find out the cause of the delay, and when Fritz found out he had been stung there was something doing among the German population, who declared no one could make a goose of him.

"Say, Dad, before I go I have an other one that will souze you. Our old time friend, McCarty, is going to try to get back on the race track again. Mc used to be something of a jockey himself but of late has given it up for other pursuits."

"Who put you next?" we asked.

"The bunch tipped it off last night. Wednesday morning I went out to the race track to see Percival work out his gallopers, and what do you think I saw?"

"Give it up; you can search me."

"Well, sure enough, there was Mc, perched on the back of Buster Brown, looking as proud as a farmer's boy with a new pair of red top boots, and the way he rode that galloper would have made Kid Sloan green with envy. Buster just kept going and going and as he passed under the wire for the second time Bill called to Mc, who was heaving at the reins in vain attempt to stop Buster, to let go of the reins and talk to him and he would stop, and sure enough Buster slowed down to a walk and when Mc dismounted you could see that he had the faintest complexion ever seen on a man and he didn't use powder to get it either."

"Do you know that one of our society ladies got stung the other day?"

"How is that?"

"Well, you see, she went to have some photos taken and when she came to pay for them she was taxed \$6. A protest was entered and when the photographer, who turned the trick, said that she was a stranger and that he always charged strangers more than he did home folks."

"Well, what did she do about it?"

"Paid the bill and went away with that beautiful ballad on her lips: 'Stung Again.'"

"Say, you know there is something doing in this man's town all the time. I have got two or three good stunts up my sleeve that I will put you wise to later on. I have to go and turn in now as the bunch is trying to

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square themselves by entertaining me at a big spring chicken dinner after the street lamps have been turned out."

"Good morning, I will see you next week."

Monmouth

The large barn of Riddell Bros. is nearing completion.

Over 200 students are enrolled in O. S. N. S. They come from all parts of the Pacific Northwest.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Murphy left Monday for their home in Yahats valley.

Quite a number of our citizens attended the celebration at Dallas and enjoyed it very much. Several also attended at Corvallis on the 5th. But for the rain the Benton county-seat would have had a glorious time.

Mr. Stuart and wife are now established in their new home north of town.

There will be a series of meetings at the Baptist church under the management of Rev. Mr. Chase. These meetings will begin this 10th.

Miss Alice Grant of Dallas is staying with her grandmother, S. A. Doucy, while attending summer school.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Cooper of Albany were visitors at the home of the Misses Maggie and Alice Butler Thursday.

A great number of teachers are in attendance at the summer school of the O. S. N. S.

Miss Lurella Peters of Myrtle Creek, Douglas county, is here to take methods at the summer school of O. S. N. S.

W. R. Craven, of the Salmon river country, was a pleasant visitor in town Friday.

The residence of P. H. Johnson was completely destroyed by fire on Thursday of last week. The fire too place about noon. The furniture of the residence was saved with difficulty.

Another of those pleasant evenings occurred at W. O. W. hall Wednesday when the wives of the Woodmen of the local camp treated them to ice cream and cake. A very pleasant social time was enjoyed.

We are glad to note the fact that the hay crop was not very much damaged in the country around Monmouth by the recent rain, while it will add many dollars in value to the gardens, grain and fruit crops.

Mrs. K. H. Sickafoose will take an outing soon on Big Luckiamute where her husband is working at Simpson's mills.

Marshall Wolverton, of Vancouver, B. C., is visiting at the home of his mother who is getting quite feeble with age.

Mrs. Dr. Byrd of Spokane has returned to her home via of Seattle where she will visit the exposition.

Miss Cassie Stump and Agnes and David Campbell went to Portland Saturday for the day and report an unusually heavy rain all day in that city. Only a little shower reached Monmouth on that day.

We are pleased to note that most of the students at the summer normal are people who attend church.

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Buena Vista

Ernest Ziesch of Parkers was a Buena visitor last Saturday.

J. K. Neal of this city will apply a new coat of paint to his dwelling just as soon as weather conditions will permit.

J. M. Prather and wife were transacting business in Independence last Saturday.

J. E. Wells and wife of this city left for the southern Oregon country Sunday morning where Mrs. Wells will visit with her parents during the summer months.

Rev. Mr. Sherwood of Willamette University, supplied the pulpit in the Methodist church Sunday morning in the absence of our pastor, Rev. Mr. McCain, who is attending the Epworth League convention in Seattle this week.

Clyde Hill of this city is treating his residence to a new coat of paint which adds greatly to its good appearance.

N. E. Tyler is hauling brick from Dallas for McClain Bros. of this city.

Marion Thompson and wife of the Airle country were visiting in Buena Sunday.

Hay seems to be the topic of conversation among our farmers these days.

The writer has in his possession a U. S. ten cent piece bearing date of 1833. Who can beat it?

Several traveling men paid our town a visit this week. Now that the measles have come and gone what next?

With good prices assured for hops, let us all feel thankful that we live in old Oregon where crops never fail.

Tortured on a Horse

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Mr. Albin, well-known throughout the Northwest, will be remembered by former students of his, as instructor in the various business colleges of Portland.

Plans of the company are broad and complete, and the organization is as strong as it is possible to make it under the laws of Oregon. Mr. Albin is qualified by experience and training to succeed in such work, having made a study of colonization and subdivision work for the last 12 years.

The company was induced to operate in this vicinity by W. F. Simon, well known in Independence, who is a heavy stockholder. The plans to benefit this locality will be carried out within a few miles of this city, if the necessary encouragement is given the enterprise by the people of this locality.

ANTIOCH

Miss Katie Barnes of Corvallis is a guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Towns this week.

Mrs. Newton Grooms and daughter, Flossie, of Bridgeport, spent Wednesday with Mrs. E. Clark and family.

Born Tuesday, July 6th to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence McCaleb, a son.

John White and son, Orville, of Lewisville are here putting up a wire fence for Mr. Chaney.

Miss Fay Shipley of Corvallis is visiting friends and relatives in this vicinity this week.

Miss Blanche McKinney of Dallas and her friend, Sylvia Hagerman, of Nebraska visited Ina and Lettie Fishback Thursday and Friday.

Several families of the Luckiamute valley purchased cherries of John Stump last week.

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