

TOWN TALK BY THE TOWN CAT

"Say, dad, things ain't like they used to be around this town. Twenty years ago you could go and sit on anyone's back porch and there wasn't anything said about it," said Tom, as he strolled in the other night between the hours of 1 and 2 o'clock in the morning.

"How is that, Tom?" we asked.
 "Well, you see society is getting divided up into classes and there is not enough of any one of them to make a showing in their own class."

"You say they are divided into classes? Now explain yourself."

"Well, there is the rag-tags; that is one, then the Bob-tails are two and then comes the Swallow-tails which makes three."

"I tell you there is generally something doing when a married man gets mixed up with another woman and the fur generally flies. But there was something doing this week when one of our young society men got mixed up with two girls."

"Yes; how was that?"

"Well, you see, he had been paying attention to one of the former belles of the town who moved away sometime ago, and as the old saying goes: 'Out of sight, out of mind' and his case was no exception to the rule. In a short time he turned his attentions to other quarters. When this became known to the absent one she just dropped in to see what was the matter and for awhile it looked as if there was going to be something doing, but friends of both parties came to the front and after a good deal of maneuvering one of the parties was got out of town and everything is running along smoothly now."

"Do you know that the other night when I was waiting for the big boat to come from Portland that I hung around the boat landing until after 3 o'clock in the morning and then had to go to bed without the boat coming and what do you think I saw?"

"Have no idea."

"Well, along in the hours after the time children should be in bed and asleep I noticed two or three young girls strolling about with their young lovers, just like grown up people. These girls were not over 13 or 14 years old and how they happened to be allowed to be running around after the curfew bell had rung is something that jars my morality awfully. So I struck out to find my friend that wears the star. After some little time I spied him sort of trailing around after me, with the supposition I suppose, that he had got next to some big hold-up game that he was going to nip in the bud, but for once I fooled him. After we had made ourselves known to each other we sat down on the bank of the river and had a heart to heart talk. He assured me that he was next to the fact that these young girls were trailing around at all hours of the night and that he had served notice on them that the next time he caught one of them out after the bell had rung he is going to give them a pressing invitation to become the guest of the city for at least one night, no matter in what class their parents traveled. I tell you there is something going to drop one of these nights and there will be weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth when it does."

"Did you hear about one of our horse dealers who went to Portland recently to sell horses?"

"Can't say that I did."

"Well, it is too good to let get away. On speaking of his luck he said: 'The people down there travel on cars run by cable of electricity and do not need draft horses or roadsters. They ride on bicycles and in automobiles and don't need fast trotters, they gamble by wire and don't need ace horses and the city government is run entirely by jackasses, so there you are.'

"There is a man who never drinks, nor never smokes, nor chews, nor swears,

Who never gambles, never flirts, And shuns all sinful snares— He's paralyzed."

"There is a man who never does a thing that is not right; His wife can tell you where he is At morning, noon and night— He's dead."

"Who is that singing, Tom?" we asked.

"Why, don't you know that this is the night of the regular feed of the order of midnight prevaricators and there is going to be a big feed down at Fritz's place. By the way: Don't you remember that we two powers of the land have a standing invitation to join them at any time that we may desire, so let us take a shoot and see what is on tonight."

"Say, do you know that booking agent down in Portland handed Dick Gaines, of the Star theater, a bunch this week?"

"How is that?"

"Well, you see, Dick ordered that grand sacred piece, 'Apostle of Paul' for Sunday's show but the fellow sent it three days ahead of time. But you don't want to miss it. The last time I was down to Portland I saw it at the Pantages and it was grand. It is on tonight and Saturday night."

"I thought he was going to have the dog and monkey show Friday and Saturday night?"

"No, they will not be here until Monday night, and they are the greatest attraction you have ever seen in the city. Do all kinds of funny things. And, dad, you want to look on up and let the kids go and see them without fail. It will break their little hearts if you don't, because they are real live monkeys and dogs."

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Regular Sunday services will be held at the Christian church next Sunday, July 25, preaching by the pastor, morning and evening with Sunday school at the usual hour. A splendid musicale by the choir under the direction of J. R. Collins, the leader. All are cordially invited to attend.

Rev. W. L. Riley, president of the McMinnville College will preach at the Baptist church next Sunday, July 25, morning and evening. The public is cordially invited. Sunday school at the regular hour.

Following is the order of services at the Methodist church for Sunday July 25: Sunday school at 10 a. m. All children not in some other Sunday school are invited to attend. Preaching at 8 p. m. on the subject: "The Sincerity of God" or "Is Eternal Punishment Reasonable?" Any one interested in this subject is invited to attend this service. All are invited to come. Strangers made welcome. Harry McCain, Pastor.

Regular services will be held at Calvary Presbyterian church next Sunday, with Sunday school at 10 o'clock, and morning worship with sermon by the pastor at 11 o'clock. Dr. Dunsmore will preach in the evening at 8 o'clock at which service special music will be rendered.

The sacred concert last Sunday evening was greatly enjoyed by the large congregation present, the church being filled to its capacity. Independence has a large number of capable soloists, so many and so excellent were the numbers rendered, that it is impossible to particularize.

Now Delivering Logs

The announcement that the first train load of logs from the Spalding Co's logging camp had arrived and would be unloaded at their mill, attracted quite a number of people to the scene last Wednesday morning, among whom were a number of enthusiastic snap shooters. Those who were attracted to see the first logs put into the river were doomed to disappointment, owing to the fact that the log roll proved to be about eight inches too low.

General Manager Hirschberg was on the ground and when the difficulty was discovered he at once put a force of men at work raising the track in front of the log roll, sufficient to allow the logs to be unloaded, and by three o'clock in the afternoon the work was completed and the logs were put in the river ready for the mill to start Tuesday morning.

If Women only knew

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Doan's Kidney Pills cure sick kidneys.

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DOINGS OF THE CITY FATHERS

(Continued from first page.)

recently dedicated to the city. He also stated that the deeds of Hanna Bros. and the deed from Mr. Taylor would be ready by the next meeting of the council.

The following bills were read and ordered paid:

B. Wilson, executing 2 deeds ..\$2 00
 Enterprise, for printing . . . \$18 70

A communication from City Attorney Hayter under date of July 17, and addressed to J. L. Hanna, one of the members of the ordinance committee, was read, and is as follows:

To the members of the city council, of the city of Independence, Independence, Oregon:

Referring to your question as to the power of the council of your city to lay down sewers and the method of raising money to pay therefor, I beg to say that in my opinion the city has power to pay for public sewers by the sale of city bonds for that purpose, or to compel the owners of property benefitted thereby to pay such costs, as it determines.

Subdv. 2 of section 19 of the charter authorizes and empowers the council "to borrow money on the credit of the city, not to exceed the sum of \$45,000, and to issue the bonds of the city therefor;" subdv. 17 section 19, to provide for the construction of public highways, streets, side and cross walks, alleys, gutters and sewers. Section 43 provides that "A proposed improvement or repair shall be at the cost, in whole or in part, of the adjacent property," if the council so declares, by ordinance; "but if it declares that the cost thereof, in whole or in part, shall be paid out of the general fund such repairs may be made as the ordinance may provide, and be paid for accordingly."

Section 59 provides that the council shall have power to lay down all necessary sewers and drains and cause "the same" to be assessed on the property benefitted thereby. These appear to be the only provisions of the charter bearing on the question. In my judgement the provisions of section 59, conferring power to cause "the same" to be assessed on the property directly benefitted thereby," do not make it imperative that the cost of such sewers shall be assessed to "the property directly benefitted thereby," but empowers the council to assess such costs, if it sees fit to pursue that method. Neither do I think that section 59 is intended as a limitation on section 19, subdv. 17, whereby the council is authorized and empowered to provide for the construction of sewers, streets, side and cross walks, etc. Certainly no one would question the power of the city, acting through its council, to lay down cross walks and to pay for the costs of same out of the general fund, borrowing money for the purpose, if necessary. This true, it logically follows that sewers may be constructed and paid for in the same manner, as sewers are mentioned in the same connection and the same sentence with cross walks. I think that the charter authorizes the payment out of the general fund or out of a fund to be raised by special assessment, as the council may determine.

The ultimate decision of the question will rest with the attorney for the persons who bid on the bonds.

Yours very truly,
 OSCAR HAYTER

Councilman Hanna stated that City Engineer Hall, had advised him that he has purchased property in Salem and expects to move at once, but that he would come over and look after the sewer proposition at any time the council might need him.

Councilman Hubbard stated that while at Salem the other day he took it upon himself to obtain legal advice relative to the right of the council to sewer the city by a bond issue covering the entire city instead of the abutting property. The opinion of the attorney whom he consulted was that it could not be done unless the costs were taxed up to the abutting property. While he would not say positively that such was the case, but from the reading of the section referring to sewers he thought that it was the intention of the framers of the charter.

Councilman Hoffman was positive that the action taken by the council was right. He said that City Attorney Hayter had gone over the provisions of the charter carefully before the ordinance had been drawn up, as the same question had been raised and that the ordinance was valid he was confident and that he was willing to pay the expense of testing it in the courts if the legality was ever questioned.

Councilman Hanna asked the city recorder if he had ever received any communications relative to purchasing of the sewer bonds recently advertised. He stated that he had received several, some from Chicago, New York, Los Angeles, and Seattle, but owing to the condition of affairs at the time they had been received he had not answered them.

There being no more business to come before the council an adjournment was taken until the next regular meeting, the first Wednesday in August.

COUNTY SEAT NEWS

Sheriff J. M. Grant held his "junk sale" of property at the court house Saturday afternoon, disposing of five lots that had been sold for taxes in 1906, and had not been redeemed since that time. The property was disposed of as follows: one lot in Talmage and two lots in West Salem to W. D. Gilliam; one lot in Independence to B. Wilson; one lot in Buena Vista to the trustees of the Methodist church of Buena Vista.

The board of trustees of the La-Croole Academy at a recent meeting elected R. E. Williams, C. G. Coad and Professor D. M. Metzler to succeed Hon. W. C. Brown, Hon. J. H. Townsend and Henry Howe, deceased. Mr. Brown was, during his lifetime, president of the board and Mr. Howe, secretary. An election will be held in a short time for the purpose of filling the offices made vacant by the demise of their former incumbents.—Observer.

Miss Maggie Pomeroy, Hon. J. S. Cooper, Harry Patterson and Florence Burton were among the people from Independence who were in the city the fore part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Tedrow are the proud parents of a daughter which was born July 17.

Hood Craven, after a few days' stay in the city, returned Monday to his claim on Salmon river.

A Small Blaze

The fire department was called out last Monday afternoon by a small blaze in the house owned by J. J. Williams, a farmer who resides two miles north of town. The property is situated on Fifth street and the fire originated from some papers in one of the lower rooms which, it is supposed, were set fire to by some children playing in the house, it being vacant at the time. It took the fire department some time to get at the blaze, which had worked up between the plaster and the outside wall of the house, and when reached it was easily extinguished. The damage is very light, being mostly from water. The property was well insured.

Mr. Williams but recently purchased the property from Hanna Bros.

Card of Thanks

I desire to thank the many friends and neighbors of Independence for their kindness and acts of courtesy extended to me during the sudden death and funeral of my beloved wife, Ellis.

E. M. YOUNG.

Now that a special election has been called for the purpose you will have an opportunity to declare yourself for or against the sewer proposition.

Seattle—A provision of the new anti-cigarette law, which went into effect at midnight, June 10, is that "every person who shall manufacture, sell, give away or have in his possession any cigarettes, cigarette papers or cigarette wrappers, shall be guilty of misdemeanor." It is the opinion of the attorney-general's office that the law means that the cigarettes are banished under the new law and any person who has them in his possession is subject to a fine and imprisonment.

Colfax—On the farm of August Siler, seven miles south of Colfax, during a thunderstorm, Mr. Siler's son, while working in the field, narrowly escaped death and a team and a dog were instantly killed. When the storm broke he stopped his team and was standing in front of them in an endeavor to shield himself as much as possible from the rain. A sudden lightning flash struck the huddled horses, knocked the boy senseless, instantly killed the dog crouching beside him and also the other horses on either side.

Goldendale—Klickitat county is to have an annual fair. A tract of 40 acres has been secured in this city and work will be commenced at once on a half-mile track.

Spokane—Tom Hopper, a veteran hunter, has set a new record in this section of the country by bringing in 20 bears between April 15 and June 10.

For sale or trade—Gentle pony, broke to drive single or double. Will trade for young stock of any kind. Enquire of F. O. Fredrickson, 4 miles south of Independence. tf

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Yours Truly,

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Best Tenderloin Steak	12 1/2c
Shoulder Steak	8c
Prime Rib Roast Beef	10c
Rump Roast Beef	8c, 10c
Shoulder Roast Beef	7c, 8c
Beef for Soup	3c
Beef for Boiling	6c, 8c
Long's Absolutely Pure Sausage	10c
Frankfurt Sausage	12 1/2c

VISIT THE UP-TO-DATE MARKET.

Bologna Sausage, Liver Sausage and Head Cheese	10c
Ham Sausage	15c
Long's Absolutely Pure not-Adulterated Lard, per lb.	15c
Breakfast Bacon	20c
Hams	18c
Clinook Salmon	12 1/2c
Hallbut, 3 pounds	25c
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