

NEWSPAPERS OF FOREIGN LANDS

We extend a cordial invitation to the public to examine a collection of newspapers from the most remote parts of the world now on exhibit at our office. These papers were sent to us by the Chamberlain Medicine Company, Des Moines, Iowa, manufacturers of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and one of the heaviest advertisers not only in this country but in foreign lands. A copy of each issue of every newspaper containing their advertisements is sent to the office of the Chamberlain Medicine Company as a proof of the insertion of the advertisement. The package sent to us is selected from these voucher copies. Some of the papers bear names of places which require us to recall forgotten geography or refer to the atlas to locate. Some of them are particularly curious as they are published in the vernacular or native languages which might be likened to the carefully written notes of a shorthand writer.

The Burmese language, as printed, is composed principally of a combination of circles. Some one wittily suggested that for this reason circulars would be properly printed in this language.

Cingalese, the language of Ceylon, is also curvilinear. Javanese and Siamese are composed largely of vertical lines connected by loops at either top or bottom but rarely at both. These languages bear some resemblance to the vertical writing now practiced in our public schools.

The four hundred million people of India have nearly fifty different dialects or vernaculars. The Chamberlain Medicine Company advertises in ten of the principal ones, as follows: Bengali, Gujarathi, Hindi, Kanarese, Malayalam, Marathi, Sindhi, Tamil, Telugu and Urdu. The Sindhi and Urdu are written from right to left in the Hebrew fashion. The Urdu is a sort of script and is so chaotic in shape that it is impossible to reduce it to the movable type form. Papers printed in the Urdu language are therefore first written out by hand and a plate made by the lithographic process. The "Oudh Akbar," a sixteen page daily published at Lucknow in this language, claims a circulation of about 5,000. It is said that in order to handle this circulation it requires an office force of about 200. Fortunately for the managers, the wages paid to natives are only a few cents a day. The "Chahya Pulau" is an Arabic paper published weekly at Georgetown on the island of Penang, Straits Settlements. The Arabic is also a "backward" language.

We are informed that this medicine company advertises in newspapers printed in thirty-two languages. Besides the vernaculars and the well known European languages, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Dutch, German, etc., the list embraces a number of languages which until comparatively recent times possessed no alphabet but for which the Roman alphabet has been adopted. Among these are the native Hawaiian, Samoan, Tagalog (Philippine Islands), Kaffir, Zulu and Basuto, of South Africa. There is also a modern form of the Malay language using Roman characters, known as Romanized Malay. This is used in Java and the East Indies.

It is difficult to conceive how the readers of some of the papers manage to handle them. Imagine a man on a crowded street car trying to read a paper whose pages are thirty-eight inches long and twenty-nine inches wide. This is the size of the "Hitabadi," a Bengali weekly published in Calcutta, India. The "Cape Times," an English daily published at Cape Town, South Africa, is almost as unwieldy, its pages measuring twenty-seven and one-half inches in length and twenty-five inches in width.

To an American newspaper man it is interesting to note the manner in which the colonial English newspapers are made up. They still cling to the methods which were practiced in this country fifty years ago, the advertisements being upon the first few pages, followed generally by the heavy editorials, then a few meager cable and telegraphic items, afterwards the local news. The local news consists principally of the proceedings of the legislative bodies, town council, school board, etc. Contributions by the readers are numerous and lengthy.

The editorials are generally of a more dignified and serious nature than American productions. The daily papers devote more space to book reviews and detailed reports of scientific progress than American newspapers do. Humor is not so noticeable and cartoons are used more rarely than with us.

Very few, if any, of the colonial papers issue a "pink sheet," but they supply this omission by devoting a large proportion of every issue to the

noticeable in the African papers, sporting news. This is especially true of the advertising pages which give our ad writers the nightmare. They seem to have little conception of the value of space or of attractive methods of presenting either the text or the illustrations. A pleasing relief to this monotony is afforded by the ads of American advertisers which are rather numerous on their pages.

Notice of Stockholders' Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Independence & Monmouth Railway Company will be held at the Independence National Bank in Independence, Oregon, on the 31 day of December, 1909, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing officers for said company for the ensuing year and for the transaction of other business that may properly come before said meeting.
D. W. Sears, Secretary.
Dated November 18, 1909. 25-31

Was Born at Dallas.

The remains of Mrs. Sarah J. McNeill were received at Riverview cemetery at Portland Tuesday of last week for burial. Mrs. McNeill died Friday of last week of Bright's disease, the funeral being conducted from the Holman chapel. Mrs. McNeill was born at Dallas, thirty-eight years ago, her mother, Virginia Hess, being one of the pioneers who, in 1844, crossed the plains to Oregon. John Miller, father of the deceased, was born in Dallas. Mrs. McNeill married in Oregon and removed to Washington, then to Lewiston, Idaho, and returned to Portland nine years ago. She is survived by her husband, M. L. McNeill; two daughters, Edith and Gladys, residing at the family home, 149 Gaines street; a sister, Mrs. Mamie Polson, of San Francisco, and a brother, Al Miller.

Choked to Death

It is commonly said of babies who have died of the croup. How unnecessary this is. No child ever had the croup at the start. If you will stop the first symptom of the cough with Ballard's Horehound Syrup there is no danger whatever of croup. Sold by Williams' Drug Co.

RECORD DAY AT ALBANY.

Six Young Couples Apply for Marriage Licenses.

Six marriage licenses were issued by the county clerk at Albany Thursday of last week. It was a record day and beat any previous business in that office. They were gathered from various parts of Oregon and one from Washington, as follows: S. D. Leabo and Martha E. Carow of Lebanon, Chas. K. Spring of Albany and Sarah E. Preston of Lebanon, E. H. Kleborn of Chehalis, Washington, and Edith Velma Bloomfield of Lebanon, Fred A. Zell of Shaniko, Oregon, and Vera D. Morgan of Lebanon, William R. Adams of Portland and Hettie I. Overman of Halsey, and W. D. Duffield and Hazel M. Smith, both of Mill City.

For Sale—One brown and one bay horse, weights 1050 and 1150. Also harness and hack. Horses are true and work single and double. \$200 takes the outfit. Enquire of A. A. Osborne, Independence, or Williams' Drug Store. 281f

Will Put Out to Fruit.

Fruit land values have shown a marked improvement during the past few months. Many orchards are being planted. Most of them are small tracts which are being planted to apples. Larger tracts are being put out to walnuts. Foster & Loundes, three miles north of this city, are preparing 160 acres to be put out to walnuts. Among the important transfers recently made is the sale of thirty acres adjoining town, through the Chas. E. Hicks Real Estate Company, to L. L. Goodwin of Hood River, for orchard purposes. Consideration \$3000.

Don't Be Hopeless

about yourself when you're crippled with rheumatism or stiff joints—of course you've tried lots of things and they failed. Try Ballard's Snow Liniment—it will drive away all aches, pains and stiffness and leave you as well as you ever were. Sold by Williams' Drug Co.

Matters in Probate.

Guardianship of A. J. Harris, an insane person—report of sale of personal property approved; guardian charged with \$1416.60; petition for authority to pay claims granted.

Estate of Nancy J. Taylor, deceased—inventory and appraisal approved.

Estate of Nancy W. Harris, deceased—report of sale of real estate approved.

Guardianship of Ray and Corville Sevier, minors—petition to elect record granted.

NEWS OF OREGON

Lebanon's Remarkable Gain.

The school census of the Lebanon district has been completed, and it shows that there are 555 children of school age in the district, of which 298 are girls and 257 are boys. This is an increase of 111 over the enumeration of 1908, the total number last year being 444.

Ten Mills for Falls City.

Falls City's council last week voted a ten-mills tax levy. The levy for that city is four mills higher than the assessment for Independence.

City Limits Extended.

By the extension of her city limits Corvallis has added 809 additional population to swell the census which is to be taken next spring.

Down with Typhoid.

E. A. Leighton's wife and two children of Willamette, who formerly resided in Oregon City, are down with typhoid fever, says Albany Herald. There are now over thirty cases of this dread disease in Willamette, but so far none have proved fatal.

Desbutes on Rampage

For the first time in the recollection of the oldest inhabitant, the Desbutes has run over its banks and two railroad camps have gone out to sea, says Condon Times. Civilization has struck the old river and it has taken a boom in consequence.

Two Car Loads of Paper.

It will require two carloads of paper to print Oregon's new code. The code will consist of two volumes and there will be printed 5000 sets, or a total of 10,000 volumes, a respectably large library. State Printer Duniway estimates that the printing will take 70,000 pounds of book paper.

The first volume has already been compiled and the copy is being placed in the hands of the printer rapidly. William P. Lord, James B. Montague, James Godfrey and William P. Lord, Jr., compose the commission created by the last legislature for compiling a new code. It will be ready for distribution in November, 1910.

Kline Estate Appraised.

The estate of the late S. L. Kline of Corvallis has been appraised as follows, says Albany Herald: Real property, \$36,000; personal property, \$1638.50; notes and accounts, \$5727; money on hand, \$530; stock merchandise, \$29,019.30. The merchandise was found to be worth \$44,645.24, but according to law is listed at 65 per cent of its invoice value. This total of \$73,500 represents only the holdings in Oregon. The Kline estate also includes property in California.

Largest Wood Contract.

The largest wood contract ever offered by the state was let December 20. The boards of the several state institutions want 10,000 cords of green cut wood delivered early next year.

Editor is in Trouble.

E. H. Overman, editor of the Shaniko Star, has been arrested on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses. The crime is said

to have been committed in the state of Washington.

Good Gains at Albany

The report of County School Superintendent Jackson of Albany shows that Albany schools this year have an attendance of 1378. Last year the attendance was 1210. Lebanon this year has 111 scholars more than the previous year. North Brownsville shows a gain of twelve, South Brownsville fifty-five, Halsey five, Shedd two, Tangent one and Oakville two. Harrisburg and Seio are the only towns showing a loss in attendance.

Roseburg a Progressive City.

Roseburg is about to issue municipal bonds for \$40,000 to continue street paving. That city has just about exhausted the \$35,000 bond issue which was made for that purpose. The plan of the city paving one-half and the property owners the other half for street improvements has proven very popular and the \$40,000 bond issue will be for the purpose of extending street paving.

THROW OUT THE LINE.

Give Them Help and Many Independent People Will Be Happier. "Throw Out the Life Line"—The kidneys need help. They're overworked—can't get the poison filtered out of the blood. They're getting worse every minute.

Will you help them? Doan's Kidney Pills have brought thousands of kidney sufferers back from the verge of despair.

Will cure any form of kidney trouble.

J. R. Collins, City Marshal, Independence, Ore., says: "I am glad to recommend Doan's Kidney Pills as they proved very satisfactory in my wife's case. She suffered for a number of years from kidney disease, doctored quite a little but received no relief and her health gradually ran down. Seeing Doan's Kidney Pills so highly recommended, she procured a box at P. M. Kirkland's Drug store and the trouble gradually vanished. She is now in good health and gives the credit solely to Doan's Kidney Pills."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Lebanon Recovering from Plague.

Scarlet fever and smallpox have been raging at Lebanon. It is reported, however, that there are not the large number of cases that has been generally reported and it is also learned that three cases of smallpox are of a very mild nature, patients under quarantine not being ill enough to be confined to bed. The contagion is well guarded by quarantine and no new ones are developing.

Annual Shareholders' Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Independence National Bank will be held on the second Tuesday in January (January 11, 1910) between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., at the bank, for the purpose of selecting a board of directors and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. C. W. IRVINE, Cashier. 27-31 Dated this 3 day of December, 1909.

H. Hirschberg, Pres. A. Nelson, Vice Pres. C. W. Irvine, Cash.

The Independence National Bank

Incorporated 1889

Transacts a General Banking Business

Interest Paid on Time Deposits

Directors: H. Hirschberg, A. Nelson, D. W. Sears, E. F. Smith and J. E. Rhodes.

The Willamette Valley Company

Light, Power & Water at Very Reasonable Rates

WATER RATES—(Water by meter applies to residences only.) Residence rate on meter applies to customers only who pay \$2.00 and over at the rate of 20¢ per 1,000 gallons; minimum \$1.00 per month.

ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER RATE—Residence, 15 cents per K. W. Business houses, 25 cents per drop and 5 cents per K. W. Power, rates on application.

OFFICE AT WATERWORKS PHONE MAIN 41

Athletic and Gymnasium Goods.
Suns, Ammunition and Fishing Tackle.
Bicycles, Bicycle Repairing.
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Superior
\$40

Watt Shipp THE BICYCLE MAN SALEM, OREGON.

PIANOS AND ORGANS
Cheapest and Best

PIANOS AND ORGANS RENTED

GEO. C. WILL

Phonographs
Edison, Victor, Columbia

Full Line of Cylinder and Disc Records

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SEWING MACHINES

Genuine Needles
Oils and New Parts

SEWING MACHINES RENTED

GEO. C. WILL

Popular
Sheet Music and
Studies

GEO. C. WILL

BRAND NEW MERCHANDISE REDUCED

Some 50 per cent
Some 33 1-3 per cent
Some 40 per cent
Some 20 per cent

DURING OUR

BIG HOLIDAY SALE

Don't Forget That

OUR PORTRAIT COUPONS ARE GIVEN IN OUR BARGAINS, ONE WITH EACH \$1 PURCHASE.

STOCKTON

The wonderful portrait offer is good until January 15, and all work will be completed before the artist leaves town, no matter how many orders come in before above date.