

**CHURCH CONVENTION.**

**Baptists Hold District Meeting in Independence May 31 to June 3**

The third annual meeting of the West Willamette Baptist Association will meet in Independence Tuesday May 31 and continue in session until Friday morning June 3. The meetings will be held in the Baptist church. Following is the program:

**Tuesday**—Devotional, J. M. Green; A word of welcome, Joseph Craven; Response, Mark Noble; Address, An efficient Sunday school, its characteristics and accomplishments, Mrs. Scott; Address, How to make an ordinary Sunday school efficient, James Edmunds; Discussion; Address, Faithful and efficient teachers, how secured, D. A. Snyder; Address, Dealing with the little folks, Katie Shreve; Question box; Prayer and praise, W. H. Latourette; Address, Sunday school expansion, James Edmunds; Introductory sermon, J. H. Douglas.

**Wednesday**—Devotion, A. J. Hunsaker; Reading of Church Letters.—Short talks on local conditions by representatives of the churches, in response to roll call; Address, Characteristics of a growing church, B. C. Miller; Address, A means of power, the B. Y. P. U., Miss Millspaugh; Address, A means of power, the Prayer Meeting, L. W. Riley; Women's Session; B. Y. P. U. rally; praise and prayer, F. H. Adams; special music; Address, The genius of Christian greatness, F. W. Cliffe.

**Thursday**—Devotion, J. H. Douglas; Address, Experiences of the Bible man, J. L. Wherry; The Kingdom of God in Oregon, L. W. Riley; North America for Christ, J. M. Green; Address, To every creature in all the world, A. W. Rider; discussion; devotion, B. C. Miller; business, election of officers; educational report by E. Northrop; Addresses by A. M. Brumback and others; Praise and prayer, L. W. Riley; Educational sermon, F. H. Adams.

**Friday**—Minister's Conference—Informal; Women's meeting; Consecration Service led by, L. W. Riley; Minister's Conference, informal; Women's meeting; consecration service led by L. W. Riley; Address, The Surrendered Life, Jas. A. Clarke.

The officers of the church are: President, R. O. Jones, Anity; vice president, C. G. Scott, Carlton; secretary, F. C. Stanard, Newberg; treasurer, Margaret Stanard, Newberg.

Each church is entitled to five messengers and an additional one for every fifty members or fraction thereof after the first one hundred. About fifty delegates are expected to be present besides other visitors.

A free motor to the republican rally at Dallas Saturday night will be run for voters and their ladies only.

All the republican candidates and most of the democratic candidates are in town to attend the republican rally this evening.

A. L. Sharman, brother of W. G. Sharman, died recently at his home near Montreal, Canada. Mr. Sharman was here some time, having spent the spring of 1890 with his brother in Independence.

Hops, fruit and grain are looking fairly well but a shower at this time would be most acceptable. Though it has not been many days since rain fell the ground is becoming quite dry. There is some complaint of the hop bore in the older yards. The bore is an insect that enters the root of old hops and some years is disastrous.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Palmer are spending the week in Portland.

Brist, the new lawn game at Craven & Moore's.

Wm. Mackey left Independence Tuesday for Nome, Alaska to be gone several months.

Bushels of fun. The new lawn game at Craven & Moore's.

I. L. Patterson, collector of customs of the Portland port, was in Independence this week.

C. L. Fitchard, who has been East for several months, returned to Independence today.

Something new at Craven & Moore's. Call and see the Boomerang.

Prof. Raymond will give a dance at the auditorium Saturday night. Come out and enjoy yourself.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will give their annual rose show this year between the 10th and 15th of June. Wait for the rose show.

Boomerang, the latest thing out—better than lawn tennis, at Craven & Moore's.

The Polk County Wool Growers Association sold this years clip of wool in Dallas yesterday. There was 200,000 pounds in the pool and the price received 19 3-10 cents against 17 3-8 received last year. The Oregon City Woolen Mill was the purchaser.

**R. KOEHLER HERE.**

Southern Pacific Manager and Resident Engineer Donald Visit Independence.

R. Koehler, manager of the Southern Pacific lines in Oregon, and Resident Engineer Donald visited Independence Wednesday. They looked over the prospect of opening up a gravel bar in the river opposite Independence. viewed the needs of improvement at the S. P. station, the condition of the company warehouses and the railroad situation in these parts generally.

As to the gravel bar, the water is yet too high to ascertain the character or quantity of gravel to be had or to project the line out to the river's edge though the survey has been made. The probabilities are the water will be low enough for track building within a month. The indications are a big gravel bed will be found at low water and 400 car-loads have been engaged to the Falls City road.

Mr. Koehler observed the need of additional granite at the station so as to enable people to walk around the train in coming to town and in reference to the proposed extra train said that matter is still under consideration.

In his conversation here Mr. Koehler seemed disposed to meet the people half way in the matter of transportation conveniences.

**Decoration Day Exercises.**

Decoration Day services will be held in the G. A. R. Auditorium Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. The program is as follows:

Salute to Flag. . . . . by school.  
Address. . . . . Rev. Edmondson  
Reading of Lincoln's speech at Gettysburg. . . . Prof. Newhill.  
Short tales. . . . . by Ministers.  
Strewing of flowers to unknown dead.  
Monmouth choir.

The motor will leave Monmouth at 10 A. M., returning after the exercises. All are cordially invited to attend.

Having sold out my grocery business, I would be pleased to have all who owe me call and settle at once I will be at the office of Justice of the Peace Wilson.

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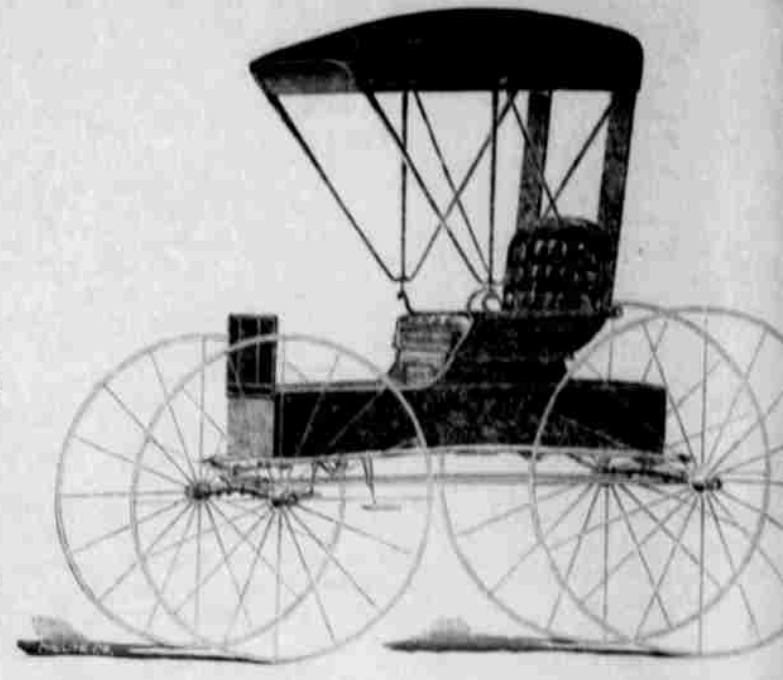
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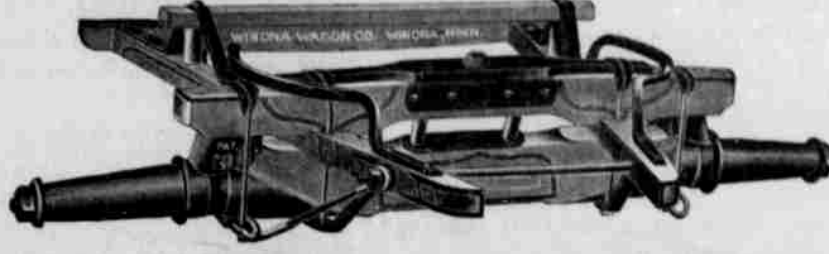
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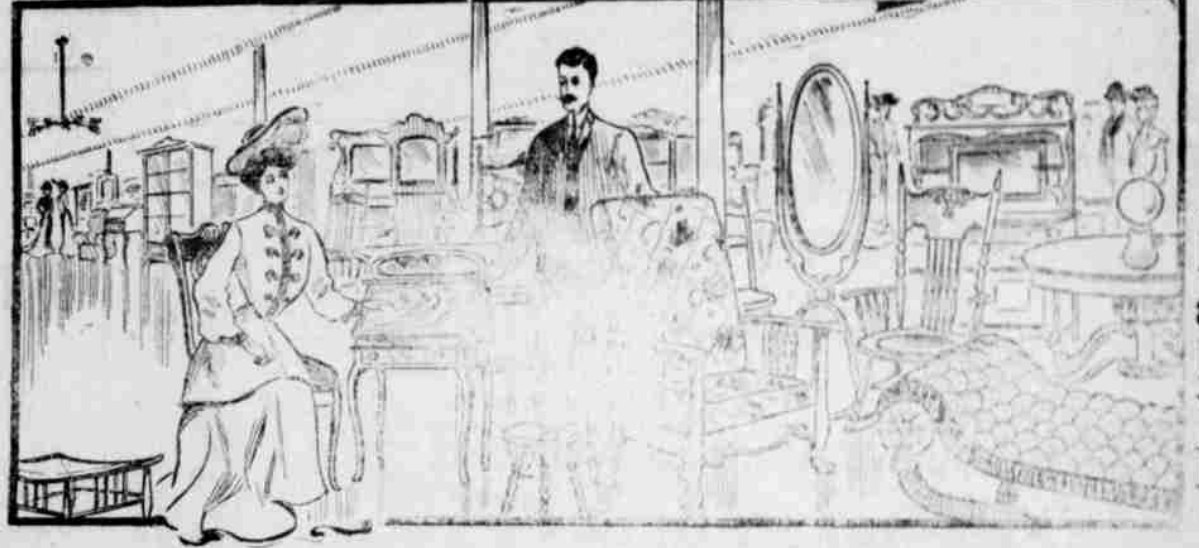
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