

Eugene Guard.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 7

NOTE AND COMMENT.

The oldest woman in Canada is dead at her home in Woodham. So far as years are concerned she had no cause for complaint as to her allotment—115 years.

That is very unpretty, the Republican members of the Oregon House of Representatives retaining themselves a clerk a piece, then refusing their Democratic brethren that consolation. Not that the Democrats did not want them! They will get no credit on that score if they make such a plea on returning home to the public and the bosoms of their families.

One thing is certain in this Oregon senatorial race. Hon. Charles W. Fulton of Astoria is not circulating his picture in order to gain public sympathy and support.

A prominent Astoria society woman won eighty-nine dollars in a Chinese lottery the other day. And now a whole lot of her set are trying to get something for nothing. They will get nothing to something.

The "Fire of the Holy Ghost" is the name given a new religion recently developed in Corvallis. It is said that several prominent members of other churches were not getting just what they wanted—at least out loose from their old affiliations and joined the "Fire" people.

Eugene will build a handsome High School building. It will be a credit to the city. The vote against the bonding—in effect against the High School building—was a surprise. Our people have never failed to give the public schools generous support. Those hundred and thirty-five votes out of two hundred and ninety-five cast, should be a warning to the school board that school finances must be carefully looked after. Undoubtedly that minority represents responsible taxpayers though, of course, there is no lack of taxpayers on the other side. The board only need study these figures to draw wise conclusions.

Very sensibly the lower house of the Oregon legislature defeated the bill providing for the commitment of inebriates to the state asylum from one to five years. Had the bill passed to a law, with fair enforcement thereof that asylum would be filled so full that human legs would project to make roosting places for the crows. It is strange that would-be reformers cannot look at liquor drinking as at any other vice or harmful habit—something to be reformed in the man instead of punishment as a crime. Would they condone the unfortunate for life? He could not but be worse on coming out with the stigma upon him.

It looks as if the coffee people were preparing for higher prices for the coffee they control when they circulated the story of the great loss of coffee plantations by Santa Maria eruptions. The Gustemian consul at San Francisco says the accounts that have gone abroad are greatly exaggerated and harmful, and that the loss is confined to a few plantations. It is too bad there is no law against straight, plain lying.

Walls Walls Workmen are doing a good business. They have a class of one hundred to put through the pass Monday night.

Ephraim Trazzle of Port Orchard, Puget Sound, an Italian, was the last man to attempt thawing dynamite over a fire. He will not try it again. Strange to say while his arms, legs and body were literally blown to pieces, his face was not injured in the slightest. And he was bending over the pen when the explosion happened. The terrible force of the explosion is shown by the finding of a 20-dollar piece he has in his person imbedded in a tree fifty feet from the scene of the accident.

The grippe is no respecter of persons. King Edward has it.

The burglars who blew open the First National Bank safe at Cam-

bridge, Illinois, early yesterday morning, getting about \$10,000, had all arrangements for getting away perfect, except for snow. They had to make tracks—both getting away and in the snow. The officers followed and caught them.

THE DIVORCE MILL.

The Catholic Church takes a firm stand against divorce, so it is not surprising to read that Cardinal Gibbons called attention the other day to the danger to society through the growing number of divorces and the facility with which they can be obtained. The Cardinal said in part:

"There is a social scourge more blighting and more destructive of family life than Mormonism. It is the fearfully increasing number of divorces which throughout the United States. These misdeeds, like the misdeeds of the gods, are slowly but surely grinding the domestic altars of the nation. Husband and wife are separated on the flimsiest pretense. And, as if the different states of the Union were not sufficiently accommodating in this respect, South Dakota has the unenviable distinction of granting a divorce for the mere asking of it, on the sole condition of a brief sojourn within her borders."

Still there are worse things than divorce—the cat and dog fighting with which occasional couples enliven their matrimonial life, to the sad detriment of offspring brought up in such environment. For themselves it would make no difference.

Of the nine hundred logs, valued at nearly two thousand dollars, that escaped from a Portland sawmill during the treshet all but fifty have been recovered.

"Jim" Corbett and "Jim" Jeffries are doing some big fighting for the prizefight championship just now—with their mouths. They work things to get as much money out of the public with as little fighting as possible.

Rumors fly thick about Salem every morning before the hour of balloting for United States senator of big impending changes. And nothing happens. They talk not only to keep up the spirits of their own men, but in hope of influencing others.

Dr. Charles Parkhurst will establish an "ideal" newspaper in New York—clean, wholesome news without sensation. It is hard sometimes to draw the line at what should not be printed. Dr. Parkhurst's crucial test will come when he sends his paper out. Will he get readers? Papers without readers are like flowers—wasting fragrance on desert air.

This is a great wood country, yet Southern California crude oil is cheaper fuel for some purposes. Steamboats along the Columbia River find the oil as economical as wood. Frequent and long stops are required for taking wood, besides its handling cannot be accomplished without considerable wear and tear on the boat. The oil comes up the coast in tanks on oil steamers, being loaded and unloaded by its own gravity.

Representative Hume of the California section of Oregon—Coos and Curry—says he came "all the way from San Francisco," with a wound in his side, to help elect a senator. He well says "We need a young, vigorous man for that place, one with a good, strong stomach, so he can stand 20 years at Washington. By the end of that time he would be in a position to accomplish some good." Then he showed the courage of his convictions by voting for Lawrence Harris.

Some Salem people are making a fuss because the city treasurer keeps no books, transacting his business through the medium of a snail. At first sight it looks wrong, but after being informed that he has to give an eight thousand-dollar bond and gets but a one hundred-dollar a year salary, we think he is justified in doing as little clerical work as possible. Besides there is little chance for mistakes in a bank. They handle money accurately and safely.

Goshen Items.

Guard Special Service.
GOSHEN, Feb. 3.—Miss Ferris, one of our teachers, spent part of Saturday and Sunday in Eugene.

Alex McKenzie, of Pleasant Hill, was in Goshen Sunday afternoon to meet his sister on the 2:30 local.
B F Keeney received information yesterday that his brother, A A Keeney's wife, formerly Miss Nannie Wallis of this place, is very low with consumption and her death is momentarily expected.

Joe Smith and son, Clarence, lost 102 head of sheep in the recent flood and were told E M Street lost 40 head.

Our school is progressing nicely with Misses Ferris, of Eugene, and Corthrae, of Goshen, as teachers.

Stock in this vicinity are looking "thin."

W L Danlap, of the Iowa Grocery, Eugene, has purchased the Ryeland and Keeney forty-acre farm at this place. Consideration, \$2000.

Mrs J B Overton has returned to her home at Jasper.

Wm Reed is very low with lung trouble at the family residence in the southern part of the precinct.

Ben F Eby came up from Springfield Sunday on his way to Pleasant Hill.

Mrs B F Keeney has returned home from a several weeks' visit with her parents at Natron.

Levi Berkshire is up from Lower Shuswap and will remain with his family here for a few days.

Mr Bradley, who has been visiting his parents here for two months will return to California this week.

GOSHEN, Feb. 2.—Land buyers are numerous and a lively exchange of real estate is the consequence.

Uncle John Kitchin is visiting his many friends in Goshen this week.

Grandma Holloway is quite poorly at present writing, but it is hoped she is improving.

Our efficient road supervisor, Boone Emmons, has been busy since the flood repairing damaged roads and bridges.

John Hamilton, our genial section foreman, is at present unloading several carloads of bridge timbers at Goshen for future use by the S P Co.

Aunt Nancy Stewart is visiting her son, Bert, who resides in Washington. Her son, George, is keeping bachelor's hall during her absence.

Raleigh Roney is again absent and we suspect he is somewhere in the vicinity of Creswell. They have small-pox up there and he hopes to be quarantined.

Our public school is better than ever before under the new management and room. There are some 70 pupils enrolled. Both pupils and patrons speak in highest terms of our new teachers.

There is considerable excitement around Goshen over the reported discovery of coal near here. But so far we are unable to see whether this will help the coal situation in the East or not.

Died.

At Franklin, Or, Feb 2, 1903, James Randolph, infant son of Mr and Mrs John Freeman. The remains were interred in the Franklin cemetery Feb 3, a large company of sympathizing friends and neighbors being in attendance.

A Hint to the Wise.

When the cry of fire is sounded then you happen to think about insurance. A hint to the wise is sufficient. The Oregon Fire Relief Association is mutual; is safe and costs about one-half the rate of stock companies. \$15,000,000 insurance in force. Address S K George, Eugene, Ore., agent for Lane county.

On and after February the 4th our stores will be under new management, and do strictly a cash business, as our aim is to sell goods on as close a margin as they can be sold, and we cannot do this and sell goods on credit. Every one will be treated alike. All persons indebted to the firm will please call and settle by February 7th. GILBERT WELCH MERCANTILE CO

To Trap Or Not To Trap.



No 3 steel traps, 40 cents each, \$4.50 dozen.
No 4 steel traps, 50 cents each, \$5.00 dozen.
Wolf traps \$2.00 each.
Bear traps \$6.00 each.
Bring us your fur and buy some traps of us.
BARKER GUN WORKS,
22 East Ninth street, Eugene, Or.

SHERIFF

WITHERS SHOT

Lane County's Efficient Sheriff Seriously Shot by a Horse Thief This Thursday Evening.

We stop the press of the WEEKLY GUARD at 9 o'clock this Friday morning to give the sad news that Lane county's efficient sheriff was seriously shot while attempting the arrest of a horse thief in the western part of the county yesterday evening.

He was shot by Ellis Lyons out at Walton. Lyons was a former local deputy of Sheriff Johnson, late a penitentiary convict.

The bullet entered the forepart of the neck and lodged against the spinal column. He was alive when the messenger left last night but paralyzed.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT IN SESSION

The regular monthly meeting of the county commissioners' court is now in session at the courthouse with Judge H R Kinsaid, Commissioners J R Hill and H D Edwards in attendance. So far only routine business has been transacted.

It was expected that a large number of complaints that bridges had been washed out would come in from the outside districts, but thus far very few have been heard. The damage done by the recent high water is no doubt much less than at first thought.

List of Letters

Remaining unclaimed in the post-office at Eugene, Oregon, Feb. 5, 1903.
Bower, D C
Bendle, H V
Baxter, Mrs A M
Carey, Miss Minnie—2
Campbell, T M
Campbell, Mrs Mittle
Coffman, Mrs F J—2
Davis, Vina
Kohler, Rose
Martin, Miss Nellie
Roussie, John W
Smith, Clee G
Sunderman, A
Sanders, Garriade
Taylor, E O
Thorne, Henry
Thompson, C W
Thomas, Mrs M J
Waeghtel, Mrs Sarah
Warren, B F—2
Webb, Francis
White, Miss Myrtle
When calling for the above please say when advertised.
H F McCORMACK, P.M.

Born.

To Mr and Mrs Orlando O Rowland, Seattle, Washington—Green Lake station—a son, Monday, February 2, 1903

A good hen

Does business every day and lets you know it.

When She Doesn't Cackle You know there's nothing doing.

Call at our store and investigate this proposition.

IOWA GROCERY COMPANY.

Successors to J. L. Page.

We are Still Selling

Groceries, Crockery and Glass Ware at the old stand.

W. M. Green

Successor to J. U. Green & Son.

I Have

bought out L. C. Skeels' grocery store. Wish the continuation of the old customers and others also. Will try to treat you right. Corner grocery store 9 st.

JOHN PRYOR.

CLASSIFIED COLUMNS.

Notices under this head not to exceed two lines, 50 cents per week; \$1.50 a month; \$12 per year.

For Sale.

LEGHORN COCKERELS—Pure bred Brown Leghorn cockerels for sale. Terms reasonable. Apply at the farm of L C Vitus three miles east of Irving on river road, or address L C Vitus, Eugene.

FOR SALE—At a bargain. Fine residence property located on the southeast corner of West Ninth and Charnelton streets. Williamette Valley Land Co, 504 Williamette street.

Miscellaneous.

AUCTIONEER.—Parties wishing to make sales would do well to call on Samuel Jamieson, professional auctioneer, Eugene, Ore.

Do You Know That the Seattle Produce Company

Are paying 9 cents a pound live weight, c-s-b, for chickens. We lead, all others follow.

Woodchoppers Wanted.

Woodchoppers wanted on old Rod day Sect place, five miles easterly from Eugene. Inquire at once.

Strayed.

One bay mare, roan-ster, weight 1400 pounds, from my place at Emira. Any one holding or returning the same to me will be rewarded.

P C WALTERS.

Seed Oats.

Choice seed oats for sale. Address DOUGLAS & Co, Eugene.

You Know What You Are Taking

When you take Grove's 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. 50c.

Horses Wanted...

The old reliable business firm, the Seattle Auction and Sale Stables, Inc., which holds special auction sales every day and regular weekly auctions every Friday, receive horses, 1 to 100, on consignment and advance a shipping charge, and will sell on commission or will buy your horse outright.

If you have any number of horses you wish to dispose of at the Seattle market prices, no matter how far you are from the city, write us full descriptions and we will let you know what the prices are and how they are selling. All communications promptly answered. N T Joubert, Mer. M J Walker Auct. 1212 Western Ave., Seattle, Wash.

GRAIN-O

THE PURE GRAIN COFFEE

If you use Grain-O in place of coffee you will enjoy it just as much for it tastes the same; yet, it is like a food to the system, distributing the full substance of the pure grain with every drop.

TRY IT TO-DAY.

At grocers everywhere; 15c and 30c per package.

In this age of the world every progressive merchant advertises his business. The question arises—"How is the best way to do it?" We have hit upon a plan that is new and novel—the money we spend going directly to our patrons.

We have secured a large quantity of beautiful desert sets, with pretty floral and gold decorations, which we intend giving away to our customers.

MONSTER SALE

...OF... EMBROIDERIES ...AT...

FRIENDLY'S

Our Second Monster Embroidery SALE TAKES PLACE

Thursday, Feb 12th

6500 Yds

Up-to-date Embroideries direct from the factory worth from 25 to 75 cents for

13c.

The ladies who participated in our first monster Embroidery sale will all testify to the fact that never before in the history of Eugene were such values given in Embroideries and all went away pleased, "and there is nothing like a pleased customer." At this sale we have a bigger surprise in store for you, as the values are still better than before.

Sale commences at 9 a. m. Positively one day only. None sold to dealers. See some of them in our windows.

LAST WEEK OF GREAT CLEARANCE SALE...

WITH FEB 7th will end our great Clear-

ance Sale. Remember we sell all goods at cost. We have still some remarkable values to offer.

IN OUR MEN'S DEPARTMENT

We have gotten together all the colored shirts in the house and put them in three big piles and are offering them at

35, 50, 69c The values run up to \$1.75c

After the close of the sale we will be in a position to show up the choicest line of Spring Fabrics ever shown in the city.

Tolmie & Traver Successors to P F & Son

Our Silks Have Arrived.

They will be shown tomorrow in our windows.

Do not buy until you have seen our prices and patterns, which there are 200 to select from.

Cockerline & Wetherbee.

The year 1903 is here

and we are selling Groceries as cheap as the same articles can be purchased anywhere. We devote our entire time and attention to the one thing. There fore are better able to supply you than those who make groceries a secondary and select a continuation of your patronage. (Our Motto to Please)

McKinney & Holeman Phone Red 6 36