

BIG FIRE AT DILLEY

Large Warehouse, Four Hundred Cords Wood and 5200 Fence Posts Go Up in Smoke.

Heroic Efforts of Entire Population Only Thing That Saved Town—No Insurance.

Fire destroyed the large warehouse at the Dilley depot last Friday afternoon together with the contents and several hundred cords of wood and fence posts. The fire is said to have been caused by a spark from a passing locomotive on the Southern Pacific track. Mr. Briggs of Briggs Bros. store discovered the fire when it was but a small blaze, and he gave the alarm, which was responded to by the entire population—and it is well that the entire town turned out for they were all needed.

The warehouse was being used by T. G. Todd, Bob and Alex Alexander and the contents consisted of 23 tons of hay belonging to M. T. Connell, 12 tons to Mr. Hoozenmiller and 23 tons to A. B. Todd, with no insurance—neither on the building or contents. Briggs Bros. lost about \$30 worth of bale wire. Along the outside of the building was stacked about 400 cords of wood which all burned. Three hundred cords belonged to Squire Stephens of Dilley and John Wall of Hillsboro and the other hundred to J. F. Forbis of that place.

H. F. Parsons lost 5200 cedar fence posts, selling at 6 cents each, which were all sold to the railroad company, but had not been received by them. The estimated loss is about \$2000 and no insurance.

An alarm was turned in for aid at

this place and the boys gathered promptly and gave all possible assistance. It is said however, that had it not been for the timely assistance of H. J. Hanson's threshing crew, which had just pulled into the neighborhood, it is doubtful if half of the town would not have burned. Every boy and girl who could carry a pail of water were called into commission and every well in town was practically drained; but it took their united efforts to save the town. The wind which was blowing from the northeast did its part to save the village, for had it come from almost any other direction the large warehouse of C. N. Johnson, but 60 feet away, would have burned, and had that ignited it would have been but a short time until the depot, Briggs' store and all the buildings to the south would have gone. Johnson's warehouse contained 125 tons of hay and 1500 bushels of grain; 70 tons of it belonging to T. Schoolcraft. It was a close call and had it occurred in the night the whole town would have burned.

New Book Store.

A new book store will be opened tomorrow by Miss Emma B. Penfield, in the small building adjoining the Odd Fellows hall. Miss Penfield will carry a full line of all kinds of stationery, etc.; and invites the public to call at her store. Miss Penfield was formerly a teacher in the Mount Herman School, Massachusetts, and also in the Northfield Seminary, in the same state. She came west a few months ago to look the country over and decided to stay. On the opening day special prices will be given to all purchasers.

Christian Church.

The morning services at the Christian church is as follows: Sunday school at 10. Subject of lesson, "The Life Giving Stream." Ezek. 47:1-12. Preaching at 11. Subject of sermon, "The good Samaritan." Christian Endeavor at 6:30. Subject, "Practical Christianity." Preaching at 7:30. All are invited to come and join with us in worship to God.

SERIES OF WEDDINGS.

Two Couples Plight Their Troths Wednesday.

It was a busy day in the matrimonial world yesterday and one that will be long remembered by two young couples of this city.

Yesterday at high noon occurred the marriage of Mr. Lowell A., son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Markee, to Miss Dayse G., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Morgan, at their residence, by Rev. L. F. Belknap. The groom is one of the efficient clerks in Bailey's big store, where he has been employed for some time, while the bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morgan who came from Nebraska some two years ago. The rooms were beautifully decorated with Oregon Grape and Sweet Peas. The bride was most handsomely attired in a gown of white Persian Lawn and Valenciennes lace and the groom a conventional black suit. Mendellsohn's Wedding March was played by Miss Emma Staehr. Miss Edna Bellinger was bride's maid and Ralph Kinton was best man. There were about thirty guests present to partake of the wedding feast. The happy couple will be at home to their many friends after September 15th, at the residence formerly owned by Attorney E. B. Hawks.

The wedding of James E. Patton and Miss Mabel E. Miller, daughter of Mrs. Christina Miller, occurred at the home of the latter yesterday afternoon at 2 p. m. Rev. L. F. Belknap officiating. Only immediate friends and relatives were present. They will reside at the intersection of C street and Third Avenue North. The couple are well known here where the groom operates the gasoline wood saw, while the bride came to Forest Grove about a year ago from Iowa.

At the home of the bride's parents four miles northeast of Greenville, Sunday at two p. m. occurred the marriage of Mr. Charles Strohmayr of Greenville, to Miss Clarice N. J. Bledsoe was solemnized by Rev. L. F. Belknap, of this city. A large number of guests were present and a like number of presents were left to the happy couple. A bounteous dinner was served.

A Change in Business.

The lively business of Cornelius & Hancock was on Sept. 1 changed, John Cornelius selling his interest to Frank Gordon, son of H. F. Gordon, and P. D. Elliott, making the firm name now Hancock, Gordon & Elliott. The new firm will conduct the business at the old stand where they invite an endeavor to treat the public to the best of accommodations and comforts. Mr. Cornelius, the retiring member, has not yet decided what business he will follow.

Growing in Popularity.

The special premiums offered by The News are going like hot cakes and the idea is growing in popularity. More people are taking advantage of our liberal offer than we expected, hence some premiums are getting low. Remember this offer closes on Saturday night, September 16th, and there is a little over one week left in which you can get a premium. The list is printed on another page of this paper, so you had better cut it out for it may not appear again.

Grand Opening At Banks.

Tuesday was the day for the grand opening of the new store of the Banks Mercantile Co. and on that date, hundreds of residents of, in and about Banks were treated to a grand concert. In the evening the company gave a free dance to all who would attend and as a consequence the dance hall was overflowing and all who could get in had a delightful time. Walker's orchestra furnished the music.

Last Saturday a young man from the surveying crew of the Portland-Nehalem and Tillamook railroad company which has been engaged in surveying near Banks, was in town, and with one of our business men he held the following conversation: "Is there any place here I can hire out for hop picking?" "Yes there is a sign down this way, and one over yonder," was the reply. "I've been working on the surveying crew of this railroad." "What railroad?" was asked; "the hot air road?" "You may call it what you please but we all call it the bull—road," was the rejoinder, and his face was the picture of contempt. He exposed a time check and said "that is what they paid us off with, but now we've got to pick hops to get enough money to get out of the country on."

ABSCONDING BANKER SEEN.

Report From San Francisco Last Monday Startles the Grove.

According to a special to the Evening Telegram from this place last Monday, Anton Pfanner, who was once a banker here, but who departed for parts unknown with \$40,000 of his depositors' cash, was seen in San Francisco last Saturday. The special follows: "This community has been greatly stirred up over the report that Anton Pfanner, the absconding banker of this town was seen last Saturday in San Francisco. A telegram to this effect was received last Saturday by City Marshal Pat Cronin. The San Francisco police have been notified to investigate the matter and ascertain if the man seen is really Pfanner, and if he is to place him under arrest and hold him for requisition.

Pfanner was supposed to have died in prison in Switzerland. He mysteriously disappeared from Forest Grove seven years ago with about \$40,000 of money belonging to depositors of his bank. According to information that reached this place after his departure, he returned to his former home in Switzerland, was subsequently arrested there for embezzlement and that he died in prison. It is now believed that this report was sent out by Pfanner to deceive the people here in the hope that no investigation would be made and that it would be accepted as authentic.

The Telegram to Marshal Cronin was from a former resident of Forest Grove, who knew the absconding banker well when he was living here. Pfanner was in the banking business here before Mr. E. W. Haines, who took possession after Pfanner's business was settled by a receiver, which, it is said amounted to 30 cents on the dollar.

Weekly Crop Bulletin.

No precipitation of consequence occurred throughout the state during the last week, and all late crops, with the exception of corn and hops, are in need of a good soaking rain. Light frost occurred Thursday morning on some of the bottom lands in Southern Oregon, but no damage resulted therefrom.

Threshing is practically completed in Western Oregon, while east of the Cascade Mountains this work continues under favorable circumstances. The yield of both wheat and barley continues good in the Columbia and Grand Ronde Valleys, but in the Willamette Valley and in Southern Oregon the grain yields were generally below the average.

Hops made satisfactory advancement and the crop is about ready for harvesting; picking will become general by the first of next week. The vines are free from vermin, and it is expected the quality will be good. Corn is doing nicely and a large crop is promised. Field onions are being pulled. Late potatoes and gardens are doing poorly, owing to lack of rain.

Pears and prunes are ripe and being gathered. Pears are abundant, but prunes will average about half a full crop. Apples are small in size, and in well-kept orchards an average crop will be harvested.

Stock on the ranges continue in fairly good condition; in the dairy districts cattle are losing flesh, and there is a marked falling off in the milk supply.

Considerable complaint is being made by the farmers about the Grove to the new law compelling them to take out a permit to burn slashing. One substantial farmer in Scoggins Valley, expressed himself as dissatisfied with the time allotted him in which to burn his slashing. The time, three days, he says is long enough but the conditions of the permit are such that, the wind must be just right and if the time expires before the wind gets right, it would take him another week or more to get another permit, which the law requires. He thinks he can and would exercise as much care about setting fires as though the permit was signed by the president.

James Clark ought to have a chromo. And if somebody who is richer than ourselves doesn't give him one before the tenth of the month, there will be one at this office for him. He has made one of the most substantial improvements of the many that are daily being made here. He has had put down a concrete walk on both sides of his property besides extending it out part way on the crossing, to meet that of the city's. Yes Jimmie you shall have a chromo.

The county has just finished putting in some ten or twelve sections of bridging over the slough just beyond Gales Creek on the Dilley road.

Died.

At an early hour Wednesday morning death relieved the intense sufferings of James Jarmin, at his home in this city. He had been suffering for a number of weeks, but owing to his ripe old age—which was 80, no hopes for his recovery were entertained. Deceased was born Jan. 14, 1825. At the age of twelve he came to Canada. On Feb. 14, 1847, he was married to Mary Benedict. To them eleven children were born, six girls and five boys. At the age of 48 he moved with his family to Nebraska and remained there 31 years, then came to Oregon one year ago to spend the remainder of his days with his children, Mrs. M. S. Allen, Mrs. A. G. Hoffman and W. H. Jarmin who reside here. He leaves an aged wife, nine children and one brother, 84 years old. He has been a devoted Christian and member of the M. E. Church for more than 50 years. He was a man that was loved by all who knew him. He had been sick four weeks and up to that time he had always had good health.

The funeral was conducted Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the M. E. Church, Rev. L. F. Belknap, conducting the services, after which the remains were interred in the Naylor cemetery.

Visits Pacific University.

Rev. Edward F. Williams, D. D. of Chicago, visited the university Tuesday morning. Dr. Williams is an intimate friend of D. K. Pearsons, who has given several millions to colleges of our country. It may be remembered that he gave \$50,000 to Pacific some years ago and it has been expected that he will make further donations. Dr. Williams who visited President Ferrin made careful inquiry as to the needs of the institution and promised to lay the matter before Dr. Pearsons upon his return to Chicago.

To Petition the Council.

At the next regular meeting of the council a petition from the W. C. T. U. of this city and signed by a great number of citizens will be presented asking the mayor and council to put a stop to the illegal selling of liquor in this city.

NO OPERATIONS AS YET

Hillsboro Board of Trade Owns 20 Miles of Right of Way But No One to Build Road

Sad Plight of Atlas Constructing Co. Leaves Laborers in Hole—May Resume Work.

Hillsboro's fond dream of railroad connection with Nehalem and Tillamook has gone glimmering, at least for the present, as reports from the Washington County terminus of the Portland, Nehalem & Tillamook today are that operations on that line have been suspended. The reason assigned is the same as that given for the plight of the Oregon Traction Company's line from Portland—which is financial embarrassment on the part of the Atlas Contract & Supply Company.

The Hillsboro road is yet in its infancy. Grading has been carried on for several miles under subcontracts for three miles each, and in one case the contractor who accepted the labor from the Atlas Company had to pay \$4,000 to his laborers and cannot collect from the company, it is said. The Hillsboro Board of Trade obtained a right of way for the road a distance of 20 miles, and it was stipulated that when the line was completed that distance, title to the land covered by the route would be transferred to the railroad.

All of the laborers employed on the undertaking have been laid off, some without pay, and there is a heavy indebtedness hanging over the road. None of the officers of the road could be seen with reference to the condition of the work, but from what can be learned, it is probable the operations will be resumed at a later date if negotiations now under way looking to that end are consummated.—Telegram.

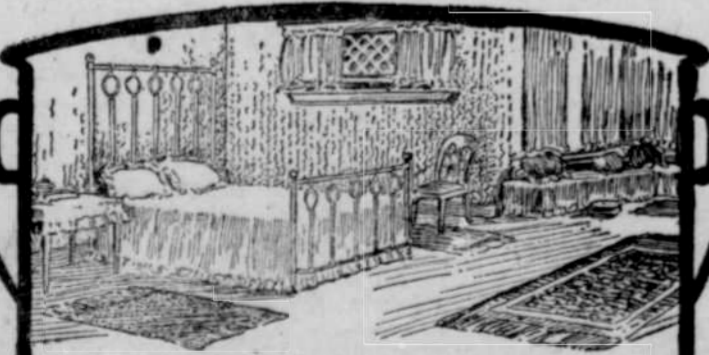
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