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PROMINENT WORKERS TO ATTEND Y. M. C. A. CONVENTION

Among the prominent speakers who will participate in the State Convention of the Young Men's Christian Association, to be held in this city January 10, 11 and 12, may be mentioned Fred B. Smith, Secretary of the international committee of the Y. M. C. A., and leader of the Men and Religion movement. Raymond Robbins, who is Social Service leader of the Men and Religion movement. Rev. John D. Boyd, of the first Presbyterian church of Portland, and many others prominent in the work of the society and the church throughout the country.

JOHN ALLEN'S CHICKENS WILL NOW CLOSE THE GARDEN GATE

An enterprising agriculturist, John Allen, who has a farm west of Forest Grove, is also of an inventive turn of mind. Getting tired of running after poultry and endeavoring to keep the barn yard fowls within their own particular scratching patch, Mr. Allen has devised a gate which automatically opens and closes at the will of the egg producers. In other words, when the Plymouth Rocks get outside the fence and desire to return to the family hearthstone, they simply push the button, the gate opens, permits them to enter within the sacred precincts, and then automatically closes, while the inventor laughs in fiendish glee at their return to captivity.

The Washington-Oregon Corporation, which supplies day current to this city, installed a new transformer Sunday in place of the one which was burned out by lightning some time ago. Almost immediately after the new machine was in place it burned out. Following this, on Tuesday, the transformer station at Cornelius caught fire and burned to the ground. Current is now delivered to the Grove direct from Hillsboro, while a large gang of men are working to repair the damage and get the regular circuits in shape to handle the juice.

The P. U. Minstrels made an instantaneous success Thanksgiving eve when they appeared to a packed house in the Star theater. The jokes and puns were good, and local hits scored numerous laughs. The first part went off with a dash and swing that showed excellent coaching, and the olio which followed was good in every way. A repetition of the performance, with a new line of stunts and songs, will probably be announced in a short time.

Mrs. H. C. Atwell, who came home for Thanksgiving much benefitted by the rest and change enjoyed during her absence, will return to Portland in a few days for a prolonged stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Butler, of this city, left for Wisconsin Saturday. They will make their home in that state.

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4tf Forest Grove Pharmacy.

PORTLAND BOYS ROB HILLSBORO STORE

HILLSBORO, Or.—Three boys, aged 12, 13 and 14, were taken into custody Monday afternoon charged with robbing three stores in this city Sunday evening. Merchandise and money were found with them, proving their guilt, which all candidly admit.

Sixteen dollars in silver, \$2 in pennies, some clothing, two bicycles, four revolvers and a regular assortment of hunting and clasp knives were in the job lot of articles found in their cache at the old Hillsboro fair grounds.

McMINNVILLE AND FOREST GROVE TO DEBATE

The Forest Grove High school will be matched with the McMinnville High school in joint debate on Friday evening, December 20. The Forest Grove affirmative team will meet the McMinnville negative team at Forest Grove, and the Forest Grove negative team will meet the McMinnville affirmative team at McMinnville the same evening. The subject discussed will be: Resolved: That the Electoral College should be abolished and the president of the United States nominated and elected by direct vote of the people.

PURITAN PARTY ON THANKSGIVING EVE

One of the most unique entertainments of Thanksgiving eve was a Puritan party given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Beamis. The ladies wore Puritan costumes and engaged in a yarn winding contest, which was one of the features of the evenings enjoyments. Marvel King and Miss Lena Rainwater were awarded the prizes for the best ball of yarn. Games were indulged in and as the clock struck midnight light refreshments were served.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Beamis, Mr. and Mrs. James Cherry, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Friday, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Rainwater, Mrs. D. O. Case, Rene Hiltz, Louise Reiben, Lottie Lee, Lena Rainwater, Marvel King, Etta and Victoria Case, Ada and Alice Friday, John Hiltz, Martin Rainwater, Edward Reiben and Carl Davis.

At the regular session of the Eastern Star of this city, Monday night, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term. W. M., Mrs. A. Ben Kori; W. P., A. E. Scott; A. M., Mrs. A. Hinman; Conductress, Mrs. J. A. Thornburg; A. C., Mrs. P. S. Starrett; Secretary, Miss Manche Langley; Treasurer, Mrs. Dorothy Seymour. The installation will be held jointly with the Masonic lodge on the evening of St. John's day, Dec. 27.

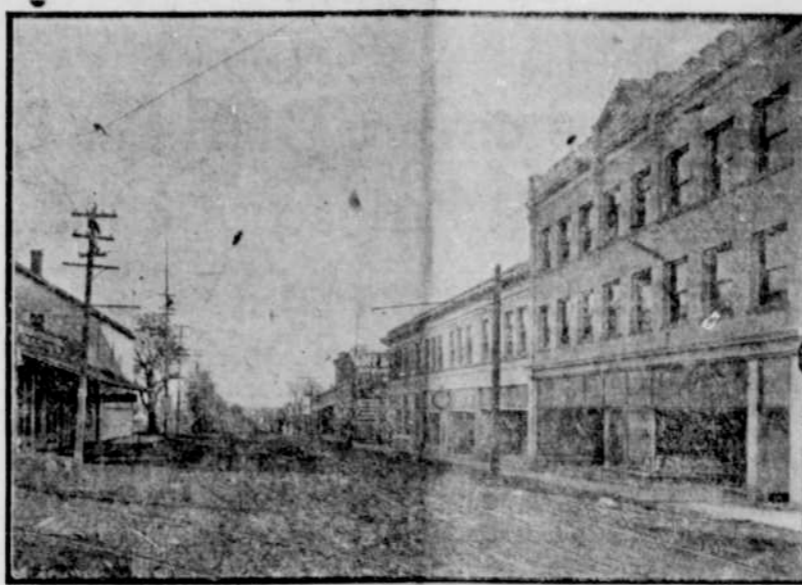
In honor of Mrs. Claude Hallett (formerly Miss Mabelle Hinman) of Spokane, Mrs. W. W. McEldowney entertained Friday afternoon. Lunch was served and several pleasant hours passed.

The Glee club of Pacific University will make its bow to the public next Tuesday evening in Brighton chapel. An excellent programme has been prepared, including several features which will be new to the audience.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Quick, of the Thatcher section, are parents to an eight pound baby girl, born Saturday evening at 5 o'clock.

G. S. Allen, former mayor of this city, was calling on friends Tuesday.

Mrs. Una Scott, of Hillsboro, was a Grove visitor this week.



STREET SCENE IN FOREST GROVE

ONE-ARMED WRESTLER GIVES FINE EXHIBITION

Although failing to throw his opponent twice within an hour, according to the terms of the agreement, Frank Reed, the one-armed wrestler of Forest Grove, gave a wonderful exhibition of strength and skill in his match last Thursday night with Walter Arndt, the welter-weight champion of the Pacific coast. By means of a toe hold and body scissors Reed was successful, after 43 minutes of hard work, in placing the shoulders of Arndt square to the mat. The remaining 17 minutes afforded the spectators one of the greatest exhibitions of wrestling ever witnessed in the city. Both men exerted their every effort, Reed assuming the aggressive from the call of time, compelling Arndt to be continually upon the defensive to prevent a repetition of the first fall. When the final minute was called the contestants were battling furiously in the center of the mat.

Jack Rainwater, of the Multnomah Athletic club of Portland, who was scheduled for a four round boxing contest with Archie Nichols of this city, failed to put in an appearance, and the forfeit money of \$20 was handed over to Nichols' manager. Roy Devlin took the place of the absent boxer for a three round exhibition with Nichols.

Information has reached this publication that the Laughlin House is soon to receive additions and improvements that will involve a considerable outlay of money. The exact nature of the improvements, it is understood, is not yet decided on, but it is believed that they include a new heating plant, running water in most of the rooms and probably an addition to the building itself. These betterments are justified by the patronage of the hotel and will represent another evidence of the prosperity enjoyed by our flourishing community.

S. Levy & Sons, formerly of Forest Grove, have opened a meat market in Silverton. They have placed the business on a cash basis and will not run a delivery wagon.

A week from to-morrow, Dec. 13, the Modern Woodmen camp of Forest Grove will hold an election of officers.

Miss Carrie Austin arrived home from Eastern, Oregon, where she has been teaching, last Sunday evening.

Messrs Bert and Roy Ramsey, of Portland, spent Thanksgiving with their parents in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Boose visited with Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Morris last Sunday evening.

Miss Estella Stokes, of this city, visited in McMinnville last week.

PARCELS POST SYSTEM BOON TO MERCHANTS

That the Parcels Post System, which goes into effect the first of January, will be of decided benefit to the business men of the various towns in Washington county, is beginning to be realized by those who are studying its provisions. The system of graduating the charges according to the carrying distance, making the lowest average for the shortest haul, and increasing the rates according to the distance of the delivery point from the originating office, should give to local merchants an opportunity to greatly increase their business dealings with those customers who reside in the rural districts.

The rates for packages under the new system will be as follows: Each package may weigh as much as 11 pounds. Rural and city delivery, 5 cents for the first pound and 1 cent for each additional pound; first zone within 50 miles of post office, 5 cents first pound and 3 cents each additional pound; second zone, 150 miles, 6 cents first pound, 4 cents each additional pound; third zone 300 miles, 7 cents first pound, 5 cents each additional pound; fourth zone, 600 miles, 8 cents first pound, 6 cents each additional pound; fifth zone, 1000 miles, 9 cents first pound, 7 cents each additional pound; sixth zone, 1400 miles, 10 cents first pound, 9 cents each additional pound; seventh zone, 1800 miles, 11 cents first pound, 10 cents each additional pound; eighth zone, over 1800 miles, 12 cents first pound, 12 cents for each additional pound.

STATE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY APPOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

At the concluding session of the State Horticultural Society, held in Portland Friday, a special committee of 19 members was appointed to handle all matters of legislation affecting the horticultural industry. John S. Forbis, Forest Grove; M. McDonald, Orenco; and W. K. Newell, Gaston, are members of the committee.

Mr. and Mrs. Scotter of Canby, Oregon, visited over Thanksgiving with their daughter Mrs. L. C. Misz, of this city.

Ed. Davis has returned home from Collins Springs, Washington, where he was sojourning for his health.

Fred Hines, who has been visiting his brother in this city, has left for Washington.

Miss Nena King was an over-Sunday visitor with friends in the Rose city.

Mrs. S. A. Gardener, of Salem, is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Gibson, of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Paterson visited Sunday in Portland.

PUBLIC SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IMPROVES

A plan adopted at a teachers' meeting in October to give a quarter holiday to all students who have a perfect attendance record during each report month has worked with excellent results.

Although there was an increased enrollment during November there were 94 fewer days absence than for October. Miss Norton's room had the highest average of attendance 986 per cent.

DECEASED FATHER OF GALES CREEK MAN HAD NOTED CAREER

John Johnston, who died November 2 at his home in Marion county, four miles west of Woodburn, was the father of Thomas R. Johnston, one of the prosperous farmers of the Gales Creek neighborhood, and had lived in Oregon 52 years. He was born in County Tyrone, Ireland in 1828, and came to the United States in 1835 with his parents, Thomas and Hannah Johnston. The trip was made on a sailing vessel and occupied six weeks. Upon their arrival in New York City they journeyed at once to St. Louis, Mo. where the father engaged in the commission business.

In company with two friends, Horace Hill and Dan Riddle, he bought four yoke of oxen, wagon and other necessary implements and started from Independence, Mo., bound for the great north-west, the journey lasting from April to August, at the close of which time the young emigrants located in Marion county, Oregon.

The first year of his residence there Mr. Johnston conducted McRay's Mission mill. The next year he went to Eureka, Cal., where he spent a short time in mining and prospecting. He returned to Oregon in the fall of the same year and went to farming.

At the end of that time Mr. Johnston married Miss Mary Kennedy. Eleven children blessed the union of Mr. and Mrs. Johnston. They are Ellen, the oldest, the wife of J. R. Manning, of Portland; Mrs. C. M. Hinkle, Portland; Thomas Johnston, who lives near Forest Grove; Robert, of Sacramento, Cal.; Agnes, head of the Kearney sanitarium at Spokane; William, whose farm adjoins that of his father; John, of San Francisco; Charles, who has a place near that of the old homestead; Eliza, who lives on the old home place; and Cecilia, of Battleground, Wash.

THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

C. H. Hilton, the pastor, will preach at the Christian church next Sunday both morning and evening. In the evening the subject will be, "The New Birth." This is one of the most important themes of the gospel, and always interesting to people. Come and hear it discussed from a scriptural standpoint. In the morning the subject will be, "Big Stones." A cordial welcome extended to all.

Miss Livia Ferrin, who is teaching in Salem, spent Thanksgiving at her home in the Grove.

Del Madison, of Scoggins Valley, has bought the Mark Noble place at the corner of C. St. and 2nd Ave.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. S. Gibson, of this city, November 27, a daughter, Florence Alice.

GASTON DRUGGIST IS CHARGED WITH VIOLATION LIQUOR LAW

HILLSBORO, Or.—Dr. J. A. Baker, proprietor of the Gaston Drug Company, is out on \$600 bail, facing a charge of violating the state liquor laws. The grand jury already had evidence to indict. Baker's store was raided by Constable McQuillan Saturday, and two barrels of whiskey and two barrels of bottled beer were confiscated and brought to the county seat.

Detective Ellerman, one of Governor West's men, went to Gaston a few weeks ago and established a restaurant. In a few days he had all evidence necessary to place in the hands of the authorities. The District Attorney, however, already had sufficient evidence to convict and had it in the hands of the grand jury.

From the evidence it appears that all the necessary equipment for a regular saloon was found in the premises. Dr. Baker has heretofore been before the Circuit Court on a like charge.

WASHINGTON CO.'Y HORTICULTURISTS CAPTURE PRODUCTS SHOW PRIZES

A number of first and second prizes were awarded to Washington county horticulturists at the Land Products Show which closed in Portland Saturday. Fred Groner, of Hillsboro, secured first prize for the best exhibit of Franquette walnuts. In the Italian prune competition B. Leis, of Beaverton, took two first and one second prize.

CHILDREN OF V. H. LIMBER NEARLY DIE FROM POISON

A distributor of patent medicine passed the home of Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Limber, in Vancouver, a few days ago and tossed a package of sugar coated pellets onto the porch. The two little Limber boys, 2½ and 1 year old, respectively, were playing on the porch and when Mrs. Limber appeared later the children were devouring the last of the tablets. A physician was summoned and administered an emetic, which undoubtedly saved the lives of the children. The package was labeled "Dyspepsia Cure"

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Allen entertained Monday evening at a progressive dinner, in honor of Mr. Allen's birthday. The table decorations were unique and pleasing, and the service, rendered by a bevy of extremely pretty young ladies, was exactness ideal. Mr. Allen, who is one of the prominent business men of the Grove, has passed the half-century mark and advanced one year into the next. Those who participated in the celebration were: Mr. and Mrs. English, of Lexington Neb., Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Mills, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Hoffman and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. W. Q. Tucker and Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Secour and son, and Mrs. Doane.

Mrs. Dennis, sister of Mrs. Shippe, left for Providence, R. I., Saturday, after a stay of fourteen months in the Grove.

The Hoffman & Allen store building is now the property of J. W. Fuqua.

Geo. Sloane has been on the sick list the last week, but is improving.

Lewis Crawford, of this city has gone to Mabel, where he will work.

Lawrel Emerson visited Laurelwood Friday.