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CHURCH AND SOCIETY NOTICES.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, corner Main and Fifth streets. Preaching every Sabbath, morning and evening. Sabbath school at 10 o'clock a. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7 o'clock. All services will be held at 6:30 p. m. All services will be held at 6:30 p. m. All services will be held at 6:30 p. m.

CORNELIUS CHURCH—Services first and third Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor every Sunday evening at 7:30 p. m. Sabbath school at 10 a. m. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7 o'clock. Preaching at Glenn on first and third Sunday of each month at 11 a. m.

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FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, R. L. Shelley, pastor. Sabbath and Fifth. Preaching every Sunday at 10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath school at 10 a. m. Prayer meeting Thursday, 8:30 p. m. Y. P. S. E. Sunday, 7:30 p. m.

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HILLSBORO LODGE NO. 6, A. O. U. W. Meets every first and third Friday evening in the month. W. H. Gault, Secretary.

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HILLSBORO LODGE NO. 23, M. W. T. Meets every 2nd and 4th Friday evening at 7 o'clock in Odd Fellows' Hall. Visitors welcome. Mrs. Jane Williams, Sec'y.

HILLSBORO LODGE NO. 50, M. W. T. Meets every 2nd and 4th Friday evening at 7 o'clock in Odd Fellows' Hall. Visitors welcome. Mrs. Jane Williams, Sec'y.

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HILLSBORO LODGE NO. 95, M. W. T. Meets every 2nd and 4th Friday evening at 7 o'clock in Odd Fellows' Hall. Visitors welcome. Mrs. Jane Williams, Sec'y.

HILLSBORO LODGE NO. 106, M. W. T. Meets every 2nd and 4th Friday evening at 7 o'clock in Odd Fellows' Hall. Visitors welcome. Mrs. Jane Williams, Sec'y.

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BY VIRTUE OF AN EXECUTION, do hereby order and sell, issued out of the Court of the State of Oregon, for Washington County, in favor of Isaac Graton, administrator of the estate of Paul Fair, deceased, plaintiff, and against William McLeod and Mary McLeod, defendants, for the sum of \$15.00, costs, and for the further sum of \$14.00, U. S. gold coin, with interest thereon at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, from the 10th day of December, 1895, and for the costs and expenses of sale and of said writ.

THE WEATHER STORY.
The mean temperature for December, 1895, in the state of Oregon, was nearly normal. There was a slight excess at some points, and at others there was a deficiency. A temperature of 32 degrees, the freezing point, was experienced west of the Cascades and along the immediate coast. The lowest temperature along the coast was 31 degrees. In the Willamette valley the lowest temperature was 26 degrees; in the Umpqua valley the lowest was 29; in the Rogue river valley the lowest was 7 degrees; the latter occurred at Ashland on the 23d, and it is the lowest minimum temperature in the month of December on record at that place. East of the Cascades the lowest temperature was 13 degrees below zero, at Lakeview, Lake county. At Baker City the lowest was 3 degrees below zero. Zero temperatures were general south and east of the Blue mountains, while in the Columbia river valley the lowest temperature was 8 degrees below zero, at Pendleton. At The Dalles, where once in a former December a minimum temperature of 15 degrees below zero was recorded, this year the minimum was 18 degrees above zero. The mean temperature west of the Cascades was from 36 degrees at Ashland to 47 degrees at Bandon, while east of the Cascades the mean was below the freezing point south and east of the Blue mountains; while in the Columbia river valley it was 5 degrees above the freezing point. The highest mean and the highest minimum temperature are reported from Bandon, on the southwest Oregon coast. The lowest mean and the lowest minimum temperature are reported from Lakeview, on about the same parallel of latitude as Bandon, but east of the Cascade mountains, and at an elevation of 5,000 feet.

The precipitation was decidedly in excess of the normal amount in the central counties of the Willamette valley and along the coast. The heaviest is reported from Bandon, Coos county, where 21.67 inches occurred. This is the heaviest rainfall for a single month on record at Bandon. At Langlois, in Curry county, on the south, 21.14 inches fell, and at Gardiner, Douglas county, on the north, 20.99 inches fell. Their total rainfall are the heaviest on record. At Astoria, 17.54 inches of rain fell. To the east of the Coast range, in the interior valleys, the heaviest rainfall was at McMinnville, where 15.43 inches fell; from this place southward to Albany the rainfall decreased to 14 inches; thence southward to Roseburg it continued to decrease to 9 inches. On the north, Portland had 8 inches, and the same amount fell northward to Puget sound. East of the Cascades the amount of precipitation was about normal, a slight excess being at The Dalles, thence eastward to Pendleton. From this latter place north, south and east, about the average amount fell. There fell from one to three inches of snow during the month, west of the Cascades, and the latter amount in the mountains. Reports indicate a greater amount of snow in the mountains at the close of the month than is usual.

There were from 5 to 12 clear, or partly cloudy days west of the Cascades, and from 10 to 20 clear, or partly cloudy days to the east of them during the month. Rain fell on from 14 days at Ashland to 30 days at Astoria during the month west of the Cascades, and precipitation occurred on from 9 to 16 days to the east of them.

The precipitation was most welcome to the farmers and the river men. The unprecedented dry season from June to November had made the ground so dry that fall plowing and seeding was greatly delayed; hence the copious rainfall put the ground in good condition for working and the result has been that active farm work has been prosecuted. Due, however, to the unfavorable weather, the seeding has been delayed and much active work must be done to have the normal amount of seeding done by April 1st next. That which was seeded in September and up to December has sprouted well and is in good condition. The rains have put the grass in good condition, and due to the entire absence of any severe weather, the stock has so far wintered well. The mildness of the season can well be illustrated by the fact that many rose bushes west of the Cascades are yet in leaf and some are in bloom. There have been frosts, but none sufficiently severe to kill the rose leaves and buds. New wood is being made on the rose bushes and on the last day of December, 1895, the writer observed that almond and apricot buds were swelling very materially.

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Portland	40.8	57.30	7.79	9.9	9	23
Astoria	43.2	58	31.17	5.4	5	25
Bandon	46.8	61	32.21	6.7	7	23
McMinnville	39.7	57	25.15	4.3	4	22
Seaside	40.4	60	28.12	0.1	0	23
Albany	42.4	63	28.14	0.2	0	23
Roseburg	41.8	66	26	8.88	12	20
Ashland	36.2	61	7	4.58	10	14
The Dalles	36.6	57	18	4.15	9	16
Pendleton	37.0	58	8	1.74	15	11
Baker City	27.6	46	-3	1.52	14	16
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The snowfall for the year was heavier than usual in some sections of the state. Hood river reports 14.75 inches of snow for the year. Sparta, in the Blue mountains, reports 126 inches. Along the coast less than 5 inches fell, and in the greater portion of the coast section, there was no snowfall. In the Willamette valley, Portland had 23 inches, while from 20 miles south, thence southward, there was less than four inches. East of the Cascade mountains there was from 8 to 72 inches, and as much as 80 inches in the foothills.

The highest temperature in the state, 107 degrees, occurred at Pendleton. The lowest, 10 degrees below zero, occurred at Diamond, Harney county. As usual the highest temperature occurred in the Columbia river valley, in the Rogue river valley and in the central portion of the Willamette valley, and the lowest occurred over the plateau region of the southeastern quarter of the state.

The year's agricultural operations were so successful and free from injurious climatic conditions. There were no snow storms, no floods, no destructive droughts, nor were there any excessive rainfalls.

The following statement shows the general weather conditions for the year, at places selected to represent every section of the state:

District and Place.	Total Population.	Departure from Normal.	From Normal.	From Normal.	From Normal.	Tem.
Coast—						
Astoria	69.78	-6.34	4.8	91	28	
Bandon	100.63	6.07	0	73	28	
Langlois	101.80	1.22	0	90	26	
Nehalem	105.07		7.5			
Willamette Valley—						
Albany	47.48	2.38	2	0	101	24
Corvallis	52.91	4.23	3	5	100	22
Detroit (X)	69.97		107	8	106	12
Eugene	37.03	0.37	0	1	98	22
Hood River	44.72	-2.28	1	0	96	22
McMinnville	49.62	4.2	5	3	101	21
Mt. Angel	47.45	1.23	1	0	102	22
Aurora	44.04	7.76	4	3	97	21
Portland	39.70	-10.03	23	0	97	25
Salem	47.10	-1.57	0	0	98	22
Umpqua Valley—						
Roseburg	29.92	-5.36	4	2	98	20
Rogue Valley—						
Ashland	13.99	-6.12	21	9	104	7
Grand Pass	37.43	-7.98	2	8	101	15
Williams	28.69	-8.17	20	5	100	17
Jacksonville	20.73	-4.22	12	4	102	19
Columbia River Valley—						
Cascade Locks (X)	71.03	-10.57	7	100	20	
Hood River	41.28	3.71	147	5	91	7
The Dalles	13.88	-1.69	73	9	101	8
Arlington	7.78	-6.63	28	8	101	7
Pendleton	10.47	-4.36	22	9	107	5
Walla Walla	14.89	-3.05	8	2	104	11
Island Empire—						
Diamond	9.75	-4.54	24	3	99	10
Baker City	12.09	-2.63	39	4	94	-3
Joseph	18.88	-1.78	30	3	91	4
Sparta	20.30	-2.86	126	0	94	1

OVER THE STATE.

Greater Eugene will require a larger tax rate than last year before the city limits were extended.

Stock Inspector Turner, of Harney county, reports 116,000 sheep in the county, free from any disease, an increase for the year of 31,525.

A herd of cows is said to be starving to death at Seaside, Clatsop county. They can't subsist on scenery any better than the summer boards.

The Eugene school district finds that a 2-mill tax will raise money enough to support the schools of that city for the next year. That levy was voted.

A jail break occurred in Portland last Friday night. Three prisoners are out on leg bail, Con Kellher being one. Kellher was arrested first in this county, about two months ago.

Edward McKoon, the Lyons man who whipped H. G. Plymate, the drummer, because he went with his girl, appeared before Justice Frecksen the other day, pleaded guilty, and was given the heavy fine of \$40 and costs.

The Oregonian of Monday prints a list of about 500 mines, gold and silver, that are tributary to Baker City. Most of these properties are quartz veins, though several placer mines are included in the list. The names of the owners or the superintendents are given.

Hon. Tolbert Carter, of Benton county, is writing some pioneer letters for the Corvallis Gazette. Mr. Carter reached Benton county, December, 1846, and located where he now resides, a few miles from the postoffice of Oregon. He intends telling of some of his early experiences.

The tax levy for Wasco county, as fixed by the county court for the year 1896, is 21 mills—4.8 mills state, 5 mills state school fund, 10 mills for county purposes, 1 mill for special road fund and 2.10 mills to meet the indigent soldier and other funds. This on a valuation of \$3,043,108, the taxable property of the county, as fixed by the state board of equalization, will raise \$63,884.26; \$30,421 for county purposes, \$3,042 for public lands, \$14,602.12 state taxes, \$15,210.54 state school fund, and the balance for indigent soldiers' fund, etc.

The receivers of the Union Pacific Railroad Company recently received bids for the furnishing of 400,000 ties. It is expected that the awards on this contract will be made known within a short time. It is known, however, that a portion of the amount will be furnished from Montana points, and will be delivered to the Union Pacific over the Utah Northern road. The La Grande Chronicle says bids were put in on this proposal by local lumbermen, including the Grand Ronde Lumber Company. It is hoped that a part of the contract, at least, will go to Union county, as it would greatly stimulate the lumber industry in that section during the coming summer.

President Brinton delivered the annual address before the Numismatic and Antiquarian Society on "Results of Recent Diggings," referring to the most important excavations that have been made during the half year in the interests of archeology in various parts of the world.

Dr. Brinton spoke of