

Go to McCormick's for wall paper.
Mr. Frank Bergholzer of Timber, paid a visit to Hillsboro last week.

Picked up on a street leading out of town a child's straw hat. Independent office.

Bicycle Repairing neatly done at McCormick's by N. D. Westfall. Work guaranteed, prices reasonable.

A heavy rain fell in the eastern part of the county on Tuesday. In Portland the shower is said to have been very wet.

If you are looking for furniture step in at McCormick's and get prices, he sells couches at \$6, wall paper at 5c per roll, carpet 35c per yard, matting 12c and other goods in proportion.

The annual conference of the United Brethren church held at Philomath last week sends W. H. McLain to the Hillsboro circuit. Walter Reynolds former circuit rider is sent to Plainview in the Roseburg district. Mrs. Blanchard remains on the Yamhill circuit.

Messrs. J. C. and W. G. Hare have now a full line of moving machines, rakes, binders, wagons, etc., which they are offering at prices that justify intending purchasers to investigate before buying elsewhere. Ware rooms on Main street between Second and Third.

The White Collar Line of steam boats plying on the Willamette river below Portland and on the Columbia to The Dalles above and Astoria below will sell round trip tickets for one fare for the round trip good going July 3, and 4, and returning to and including July 6.

For several years the Independent has carried an advertisement for medicines compounded by the Cheney Medicine Co., Toledo, Ohio. Among the remedies is Hall's Catarrh Cure which has been on the market for years. It maintains its place at the head of the list. Indeed there seems to be nothing "just as good."

Lucinda Hill Cabin Native Daughters, entertained the Native Sons of Hillsboro with their wives on the beautiful lawn of Mrs. A. Sigler on Tuesday evening of last week. A musical program was rendered and refreshments served under the trees in the orchard. Guests blitted over the grounds in happiest mood. The order in Hillsboro is wide awake and a rapid growth is assured.

The new mail contractors on the Star routes made the first trip on Tuesday morning last. Mr. Hill is on the swing from Hillsboro via Glenora to Phillips and return. At Phillips he meets the man from Portland. The equipment on this end of the route is a good one and a passenger can have a comfortable ride. The time for the departure of the Laurel mail has been put back to the old schedule, 9:30 a. m.

The annual mission festival of the Bethany German Presbyterian church of Bethany will be held Sunday, July 6, beginning at 10 a. m. The service will be held in the beautiful oak grove on the Werner farm one-half mile from the church. A good program has been prepared and interesting speakers will present the great cause of missions in English and German. Among the speakers will be Rev. Dr. Holt of Portland, formerly missionary to China and now synodical missionary of Oregon, also Rev. Allen formerly of Persia and now assistant pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Portland. Good music has been arranged for. All friends are cordially invited. The ladies of the church will serve lunch at noon.

Wm. C. Laube,
Pastor.

The new rural mail delivery system is a reform in a direction not looked for. It is an element in temperance reform. A saloon keeper in a small Minnesota town is reported in these words: "Why, when men came into town every day for their mail they were sure to drop into my place while they waited; everybody drank, everybody treated everybody else and it made trade lively. Now the farmers come into town but two or three times a week and more often but once, and the worst of it is they don't happen to come in together, for they only come in for groceries or some other supplies, and no two men's supplies are apt to come out at the same time. This you see, does away with the matter of treating and reduces trade tremendously. It's raining business, I tell you." The farmers in Minnesota must be different men than in Oregon, for there are few of the rural population hereabouts that tipple. But if the rural mail delivery removes temptation, Good.

The Willamette Valley Chatauque Association will assemble at Gladstone Park, Oregon City, in its 9th annual assembly next Tuesday, July 8, and will remain in session twelve days, closing Saturday, July 19. The attractions this year exceed what has gone before. In the evening of July 10, and in the afternoon of July 11, the speaker is Hon. Henry Watterson. The subject of his first lecture is "Money and Morals," which without doubt will be somewhat political in sentiment and will be on the opposite side to that advocated by W. J. Bryan two years ago. The second lecture is "Lincoln." Of the eulogies delivered on the life and deeds of Abraham Lincoln, few if any approach this of Watterson. Several people from Hillsboro plan to camp at Gladstone through the whole session.

By some way not yet revealed, strychnine that had been bought for coyotes, by young Raigan living with his father's family near LaGrande, in Union county, got into the sugar bowl. From this it easily got into the breakfast coffee of the household. The bitter taste of the beverage caused remark. A whitish crystal left in the bottom of the cup was tasted by the young man. It went on his empty stomach and soon killed him. Other members of the family were made sick but warm water induced vomiting and they recovered. Later the coroner's jury was convinced that the young man himself put the poison in the sugar intending to kill the whole family. An illy balanced mind is given as a reason to account for the deed.

John Slavin of Multnomah visited with his nephew, E. C. Brown on Sunday last. While here he sounded some of our citizens in relation to the electric motor line. Mr. Slavin is quite anxious to have the line leave Portland by the south end of the city instead of the north. Hillsboro is quite indifferent by what route the road comes, hence no one here will mix in and squabble over routes of leaving Portland. Hillsboro and Washington county are interested only in the line coming here by the route that will open up new territory and prove remunerative to the company. Now we can see no better way than that from the Cedar Mill country and north of Rock Creek.

The sixth annual meeting of the National Association of State Dairy and Food Departments will be held in Portland next week July 9th and 10th. The sessions of the association will be held in the Chamber of Commerce hall. Representatives will attend from almost every state in the union. The sessions will be well worth attending by our local dairymen.

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Mr. J. H. C. Bell who is an authority on hop growing, reports that the crop now climbing the poles is looking well. His yards never at this time made a better appearance and the rain of Wednesday will give another start that will keep the vines standard till they can be picked.

The appropriations made during the session of Congress just adjourned foot up \$800,193,837. The sum appropriated last year was \$730,338,575. One item that is in this appropriation was left out last year, the rivers and harbors.

Sunday evening the first of a series of summer union services will be held at the Methodist church, H. A. Biser preaching the sermon. It is hoped all the churches will join in the movement.

Messrs. E. H. Robbins and E. Lumsden of Tualatin were visitors in Hillsboro this week and at the same time attended to a few items of business at the courthouse.

Representative Tongue was scheduled to start home on Wednesday last and will without doubt step off the train at his home station Monday or Tuesday next.

Mrs. J. M. Green, accompanied by her mother returned last Friday from her visit to Texas.

Mrs. F. C. Shannahan of Tacoma is visiting this week with her mother, Mrs. Moreland.

Mrs. Anderson and her daughter Bessie have gone to the coast at Sea Side for a week.

Special, 8c alarm clock at the Racket Store.

Messrs. C. H. and L. G. Schrenk whose home is California, are visiting their sister, Mrs. L. E. Wilkes.

Mr. Thos. Tucker is on the sick list at his home on Main street. Some sort of an irregularity of the heart is necessitating quiet rest at home.

Chittum bark is in demand this summer. The Pharmacy will buy in any quantity. Several car loads are wanted. The price paid is such that a man can make from three to four dollars per day getting it.

If you want suspenders
If you want shirts
If you want underwear
If you want neckties
If you want Hose
If you want anything in our line
Come to the Racket Store
We will treat you right.

The finest appearing strawberries that have been shown in this market, came this week from yards on the top of Chehalis mountains. The flavor, too, is all that is looked for in such fruit. Messrs. Heide and Wall got over a hundred boxes which they are preparing for the county exhibit this fall at the state fair. Among the varieties is the Parker Earl, Sharpless, Magoon, Timberland and Wilson. Of these the Parker Earl appears to best advantage. The berry is a very bright red evenly colored and of a desirable size, not so large as the Sharpless, but much more regular in shape. It grows on a tall erect stem which is always clean. The Washington county strawberry exhibit will be at the front.

Road supervisor Wood of Battle precinct was in town Wednesday making his annual settlement with the county court. Some valuable work has been done in his district on the Scholls Ferry road between Progress and the county line. That part of the road had been rocked some time ago, but by this year it had become badly worn. The work just completed was filling holes and leveling up. To do this required 210 loads of crushed rock, a load being what three horses could pull. The work was done in seven days. Another road that badly needed repairs is that leading from Beaverton to the county line, a stretch about three and a half miles long. This is in supervisor Hoecken's district. He put on 440 loads of crushed rock, taken from the quarry just above the Bacon place. That road is better now than it has been since it was first rocked about six years ago.

President Wehrung of the State Fair Association has just returned from a trip into Jackson county. The board this year desires to have as many county exhibits as is possible. Hence these trips. A different system of arriving at a verdict of excellence is to be adopted this year. Before it was a general inspection and the prizes awarded to the exhibit the most artistically arranged, or the one having the greatest number of items without regard to much else except size. The plan of judging by points will be adopted this year. Artistic arrangement will be worth its points, but may be overcome by market values. Thus a box of apples packed with reference to regularity of size and color will outclass the overgrown Gloria Mundi because it will sell better in the market. Freaks will be discouraged but market products will be emphasized. Messrs. Heide and Wall who have the Washington county exhibit in hand have already commenced gathering fruits.

Merrill the convict is dead and Tracy his pal is in Seattle. That is, Tracy says he killed Merrill which may or may not be true. We have Tracy's word. On Wednesday morning Tracy appeared alone at a fisherman's cabin near Olympia where he held up the cook and a boatman. Soon two other boatmen came in for breakfast and a little later the captain of a gasoline launch and his son. Thus Tracy had six people stood up against the wall "hands up." After breakfast he tied two of the men and took the other four to the dock, got into the launch and sailed for Seattle which point they reached just before dark. The boat anchored. In the deep twilight Tracy went ashore at a point about two and one-half miles from Seattle. He took one man with him whom he disarmed shortly after leaving shore, and started on alone. Tracy says he killed Merrill several days ago because he was discreet and he became afraid of him. When the body is found the story will be credited. Tracy's plan was to rob a policeman in Seattle of his pistol and then go on the road for money. As no one in Seattle lost his gun it is supposed that the outlaw has changed his plan. He claimed that he had friends in Seattle.

COURT HOUSE.
COUNTY COURT—LAW.
Ida Harttramp, adm John W. Harttramp, action to collect money. Action dismissed and judgment for the defendant against plaintiff for his cost.

Thos. Aldridge insane. Adjudged on the certificate of S. J. Linklater, examining physician and the testimony of witnesses that said Aldridge is of unsound mind and that he be committed to the insane asylum.

PROBATE.

Est. Antonio A. T. Seidler decd., inventory filed. Value of property in this county \$1960; Multnomah \$100.

Est. Thos. Britcher decd., final account filed and July 28 set for examination.

Est. Wm. E. Smith decd., inventory filed. Value of property \$2359.08.

Est. Jno. W. Lemmon, feeble mind. Erwin Ritter appointed guardian of the person and estate of John W. Lemmon. Bond \$500.

Est. H. S. Smock decd., Susie Smock widow of the deceased appointed administratrix. Bond \$2,500.

Est. Louis Borchers decd., the motion to set aside the will was continued to take the testimony of C. Neerman and wife in Kansas.

Est. Martha Spencer deceased, sale of personal property confirmed. Heirs and parties interested cited to appear July 28 and show cause why really should not be sold.

Guard Rymal heirs minors. Final account filed and allowed and estate closed of record.

Est. W. E. Smith decd., Widow at law \$15 per month out of funds of estate for the period of one year or until the estate is settled.

Est. Chas. W. Tarlton decd., final account allowed and estate closed of record.

Est. Leonard H. Witt decd., Administrators bond filed. Appraisers J. S. Clark, John Abbott and Wilson Rump.

Est. Wm. F. Owens, inventory filed, property valued at \$2970. Personal property exempt from execution set off for widow. For her support the sum of \$25 per month is allowed.

Est. James N. Shearer decd., Will admitted to probate, Elizabeth A. Shearer appointed administratrix without bonds.

Est. Peter R. Er decd., final account allowed and estate closed of record. Est. Louis Krause decd., Edward Schalmereich appointed guardian instead of Conrad Schalmereich decd.

Est. Ben E. Jones decd., Ordered that citation issue requiring all persons interested to appear August 18, and show cause if any there be why really should not be sold.

Marriage Licenses.
License to wed was issued June 28 to W. R. Conlee 23 and Gertrude M. Whitney 23; July 1 Ira Hoard and Nellie S. M. Bagley 24; June 30 John S. Nolan 23 and Minnie M. Neep 20.

Messrs. Beal & Wann go from the recorder's office to their real estate office which is to be opened in Forest Grove next Monday. These young men are active and capable and will give prompt attention to all business entrusted to them. All or any having real estate to put on the market or those wanting to purchase will not make a mistake when they employ the new firm.

AN EVENING WITH MUSICIANS.

Last Tuesday evening Miss Johnson gave her fifth annual recital at the residence of Mr. W. E. Thorn. Her pupils acquitted themselves well and the evening was one of enjoyment. The performers were Miss Johnson's pupils except Mr. Hare who volunteered to give a violin solo. As a closing number Miss Johnson sang a solo. The program follows: "Swallows Homeward March",.....Gullitt

Blanch Bowman and Ida Blazier
"Ever so Glad",.....Orth
Rose McRoberts

"Cuckoo, Cuckoo",.....Landon
"Morning Song",.....Edna Baughman

"Mountain Echoes",.....Streabogg
"Lovely Moonlight",.....Hofmann
Marguerite Beleman

"Bright Eyes",.....Orth
"Little Sewing Girl",.....Lara Tamesie

"Robins Lullaby",.....Krogman
Ida Blazier

"Sunset Nocturne",.....Read
Blanch Bowman

"My Pretty Lass",.....Pacher
"Fifth Nocturne",.....Leybach
Jessie Danielson

"S. netterling",.....Grieg
"Alice",.....Ascher
Jennie Thorn

"Cantilena" violin solo,.....Bohm
William Bothwell Hare

"Lustspiel" Overture,.....Bela
Jennie Thorn and Jessie Danielson

THE JULY RAIN.

The rain of Tuesday forenoon last seems to have been general throughout Oregon, or at least that part west of the Cascades. It commenced raining at Hillsboro about 2 o'clock in the morning and poured steadily till almost noon. There were further showers yesterday and the indications are for unfavorable hay weather for several days. There is quite an acreage of clover hay down. This will be damaged but timothy which is later and all oats and wheat will be greatly benefited. Potato fields are greatly benefited. The fall of water at the Portland observatory is placed at an inch and a half which is enough to thoroughly irrigate the fields.

McMinnville, July 2—Rain commenced falling at 12 o'clock last night and continued till noon today. Some clover is down but farmers rate the benefits of the rain far above the damage to clover.

Corvallis, July 2—A heavy rain fell this forenoon. No wind.

Roseburg, July 2—Rained here all forenoon. Great damage to small potatoes.

Eugene, July 2—Heavy rain here all last night and today. It caught some hay down.

Timber, July 2—Heavy rain today.

Astoria, July 2—Great rain today. On account of unfavorable weather the celebration which was to have been held here on the 4th has been abandoned.

Albany, July 2—Rained here this forenoon hard. Fields of spring sown grain greatly benefited.

Salem, July 2—The heavy rain has wet much clover but will benefit growing crops except vetches which have been knocked down by the rain, notwithstanding there was no wind.

Cornelius, July 3—The rain of yesterday was heavy and to some extent interfered with the exercises at the county veterans' encampment but there is a fairly good attendance. There is no abatement of enthusiasm for the celebration which is advertised for tomorrow July 4th. The program will be carried out as written.

PORTLAND-HILLSBORO MOTOR.

The company building the Portland-Hillsboro electric Motor are working, notwithstanding the franchise through the streets of Portland has been temporarily hung up. The Board of Public Works, which was petitioned to stop the building of the road, took the ordinance under advisement and referred it back to the council for a few amendments. When amended the Board recommended that the ordinance pass. It is understood that the defects were such that their elimination will not hinder the building of the line. Indeed the only objection the company makes to referring the ordinance is that it may be rejected in any form in which it may come. The company though does not stop work. The engineers at last advice were setting grade stakes on Kings Heights this side of Portland.

DEMAND FOR NORMAL SCHOOL GRADUATES.

The State Normal School at Monmouth reports that the demand for its graduates during the past year has been beyond the supply. Graduation from the Normal practically assures a place worth from \$40 to \$100 per month. The students take the state examinations during the regular course and are easily able to pass on all subjects required for state papers before graduation. The school has a well equipped training department consisting of a nine-grade town school and a typical country school.

INDIAN WAR VETERANS.

All Indian war veterans are requested to meet at the court house in Hillsboro on Saturday, July 5, at 2 o'clock p. m., to confer in regard to applications for pensions under the new law, furnishing proofs, etc.

W. H. H. Myers,
Lieut. Co. D.

STAR ROUTE BOX DELIVERY.

The postoffice department gives notice to the public that the contracts in effect July 1, 1902, for the performance of mail service on the star routes in Oregon provide that, in addition to carrying the mails to the various post offices, the carrier will be required to deliver mail in to all boxes and hang small bags or satchels containing mail on cranes or posts that may be erected along the line of the route, under the regulations of the Department.

Any person living on or near the route and not within the corporate limits of any town or within 50 rods of any post office, who desires his mail deposited at a given point

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on the line of the route by the carrier may provide and erect a suitable box or crane on the roadside, located in such manner as to be reached as conveniently as practicable by the carrier without dismounting from the vehicle or horse, and such person shall file with the postmaster at the postoffice to which his mail is addressed (which shall be one of the two post offices on the route on either side of and next to the box or crane) a request in writing for the delivery of his mail to the carrier for deposit at the designated point, at the risk of the addressee. The small bag or satchel above described, as well as the box or crane, must be provided by the person for whose use it is intended without expense to the Department. The Department does not prescribe any particular design of box or satchel to be used for this service, but the person providing either should see that it is of such character as to afford ample protection to his mail. If there is a lock attached to the box, a key is not to be held by the carrier, as he is expected to deposit the mail without the necessity of unlocking the box. The box or crane should be so located on the roadside that the carrier can deposit the mail without leaving his vehicle or horse, and yet not where it will obstruct public travel.

The carrier is not required to collect mail from the boxes, but there is no objection to his doing so if it does not interfere with his making the schedule time. The law provides that every carrier of mail shall receive any mail matter presented to him if properly prepaid by stamps, and deliver the same for mailing at the next post office at which he arrives, but that no fees shall be allowed him therefor.

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