

Mr. Andy Knox of Forest Grove drove down to Hillsboro last Tuesday. Miss Manchie Langley of Forest Grove was in Hillsboro on Tuesday last.

Mr. C. T. Scoggin of Fossil, visited with his uncle and aunt, Dr. and Mrs. F. A. Bailey, this week.

Born at the Perkins farm near Beaverton, April 25, to Daniel Shaw and wife, a son.

Mr. Frank Mitchell of Pendleton visited with his mother, Mrs. McKinney this week. Mr. Mitchell is looking well.

May Day Social, Friday, May 1st, by ladies of the Christian Church, at the old Church. Refreshments, coffee and cake. Admission 10 cents.

Elder Green will preach at the Christian Church on next Sunday. Subject for morning "The Mission of the Church." For the evening "Leprosy a Type of Sin."

Mr. Ben Anderson through the Lyon & Cornelius agency sold this week his farm of 248 acres near Farmington to Mr. D. B. Deisman of Tillamook. The consideration was \$8,000.

Mrs. Willis was agreeably surprised last Wednesday evening at the residence of Hon. W. N. Barrett by a call made by the Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. Church. During the evening refreshments were served.

It is said that negotiations are pending for the purchase by one of our Hillsboro citizens of a gasoline automobile large enough to carry four passengers. The power to be used equals that of eight to ten horses. It will have a speed of thirty miles though that gait will not necessarily be maintained.

Mr. Andrew Jack of Farmington was in town on Wednesday. He reports that his hops are doing fairly well though he would like to have them start to grow more evenly. The vine in some hills are up the pole two feet, while in other hills the vines are just peeping through the ground. It is yet early and he hopes that the laggards will overtake the faster growers.

Mr. S. T. Wethered who went to Tillamook a month ago to attend his brother Wilson Taylor returned last Tuesday bringing Wilson with him. They came by steamer to Astoria and by rail from there. It will be remembered that Mr. Taylor fell a distance of twenty feet striking on his shoulder. At first it was thought that he would not live but he is now on the road to recovery. Mr. Taylor is well known here. At one time he was deputy county recorder.

Wm. A. Gourelly of Tigardville was brought to the court house on Monday evening a raving maniac. Testimony developed that he had been on a protracted spree but had sobered off a few days before. The examining physician suggested that a snake might have crawled into his boot and that if retained and treated a few days he might come to his right mind. The patient yesterday was much improved and gave promise of complete recovery.

Smallpox has broken out in the family of Mr. H. M. Burton who lives on the brook a mile below Cedar Mills. Dr. Bailey, the attending physician reports that at present Mr. Burton, himself, his eight year old son and a baby daughter two years old are down with the contagion. The disease was communicated by a party recently from California who stopped several days in the neighborhood when the eruption was fully developed. The stranger said he had the chickenpox. The stricken family have a mild form of the plague, but great care is taken to prevent spread.

Died at Baker City April 19, Elizabeth, wife of L. M. Gosney aged 70 years. The deceased was born in Indiana June 9, 1833. With her husband and family she immigrated to Oregon in the seventies and was in Hillsboro for many years though in recent times the home was at Baker City. Her last illness was short reaching over only three days. The dread lagrip, the terror for old people was her ailment. She left her husband and six children, all adults, viz: W. W. Luther M. and Henry C. Gosney Baker City, Mrs. Kate Spary Dawson, Alaska, Mrs. Mattie Adams and Mrs. Sarah Crandall of Portland, Oregon.

Throughout the entire county our roads are being worked and many a young man is blistering his hands which will be remembered several days. Frank Kelsey has graded up the road from town to the long bridge better than it has been for years. There always has been one good ditch along this piece of road but he has made another so now the road is well rounded up and drained. Mr. Kelsey's plan is to drain his roads well and have them high in the center. When he uses his grader he never cuts through the crust for in so doing tears down the road instead of building up. Now is the time to work roads so the rain will pat them down. If put off till after rains the roads will become very dusty and the wind will blow our roads away.

Several Washington County homesteaders are having a little trouble with claim titles. Land is getting valuable and as a result "jumpers" are about. These claimants are careless, representing a claim once in six months is coming to be counted as not sufficient to constitute a residence. The courts that have already been commenced complain that the residence and cultivation are not sufficient. The law has heretofore been very liberally construed, not only here but elsewhere, and claimants have been able to make final proof quite easily. In some localities settlers by common consent banded together and made it uncomfortably warm for claim jumpers. This public sentiment is not pronounced in the hills at the head of the Nehalem, and homesteaders can not rely upon help from that direction. Building houses barns and fences, plowing land, raising grain, hay and potatoes, planting an orchard and maintaining the family for twelve months in the year on the homesteaded tract is the only certain way for obtaining a deed from the government.

A most distressing catastrophe occurred on Wednesday morning last, at a coal mine recently opened in a gulch in Alberta B. C. near the boundary line north of Montana U. S. The name of the mining town is Frank. The mine is rich and over a thousand tons of coal was mined daily. The top of the mountain slipped and slid, an avalanche of rock and earth, into the canyon where flowed the Old Man river, a stream of considerable size. It is thought that a dynamite blast may have started the limestone mass. It slid into the valley which is filled for a depth of 30 to 100 feet for a space of two miles long by one broad. The river is dammed and a lake is forming above. The houses of Frank in the path of the slide are demolished and the occupants killed. It was at first thought that the night shift of miners were killed, but during the day these dug out, all escaping with but a few scratches. Fifty-six lives are known to be lost. Mountain slides on a greater scale are known to have occurred in the world's history but this is the greatest and most disastrous that man has seen.

Some weeks ago it was thought that a representative of the Continental Flax Company of Minnesota would visit Oregon this year, but letters received this week state that the company will not send a man here now though he may come later. It is feared that an effort is making to secure pledges from farmers who will plant flax. If a sufficient acreage can be obtained, a flax manufacturing company at the coast, will agree to take the product of our farmers. It was not stated that the Continental is the company. Whether this plan will be profitable for this county or not is yet to be demonstrated. The hay and dairy industry is quite satisfactory and notwithstanding it is proven that the flax will grow here our farmers may not care to make the change, though locating a factory here would change conditions and the culture of flax would be undertaken without misgivings.

The very bright meteor of last Friday evening, 8:45 o'clock, was seen by several parties in Hillsboro. It appeared "just above our heads" but absence of objects in the sky prevented an estimate of distance by comparison. The swish of the stinger was plainly heard though its contact with earth may have been miles away. If enough of the visitor remained solid, it was more than likely cooled in the Pacific ocean. A few nights later two others meteors were seen in Josephine County traveling in the same general direction as the one seen here. They were only a few seconds apart and were first seen in the heavens directly over head.

Assessor Chandler, of Yamhill county expects to increase the volume of assessable property in his county this year to five million dollars. He has made an estimate of the taxable property throughout the state, and finds that upon a valuation of two millions our share of the Lewis & Clark fair appropriation will be four mills. The question arises, will it be worth it? The labor unions of Portland say that it will not and they seem to be in a position to make good their words.

"The Wireless" a newspaper recently established at Avalon, Santa Catalina Island, some forty miles off the coast of Southern California, has the distinction of being the first and only newspaper in the world that receives all of its dispatches by Marconograph, or wireless telegraphy. Previous to the installation of the wireless telegraph communication from the outer world depended upon steamers or railroads.

Mr. O. E. Beckwith who has been station agent for the S. P. Company at Hillsboro has left the employ of the company and will go to work for the Mutual Life Insurance Company. Mr. Beckwith sees an opportunity for earning more money than with the railroad. Mr. Phelps, a new man, temporarily acts as agent here.

Mr. E. Marsh who many years ago lived in this county, is here again looking up friends and neighbors whom he knew before he settled at Payette, Idaho.

Peter Pyle and wife celebrated their silver wedding last Sunday. All the children were at home and the family reunion enjoyed a splendid dinner.

J. P. Jones, traveling passenger agent of the S. P. Co., was in Hillsboro Tuesday night last looking after the comfort of several passengers who are shortly to go over the lines of his company.

I. Toby of Portland, who is superintendent of the children's home at that place was in Hillsboro this week soliciting (?) subscriptions to help sustain that institution. He also has several children to place. Persons desiring further information should write him.

The Hillsboro Rebecka lodge celebrated their anniversary last Saturday evening. The hall was well filled with members and friends who listened to an interesting program, after which all sat down to light refreshments. When the inner man had been satisfied all enjoyed various games and at a late hour all went home feeling that the evening had been well spent.

Wm. McQuilian was to raise, yesterday, the frame for his new barn which he is building on the land he recently purchased. The tract has been known as the Steel place and joins the Hood farm fronting on the road to Farmington. In addition to the barn, Mr. McQuilian will build a dwelling. There were no buildings on the tract when he bought.

Patton Bros. this week started sawing at their mill on the upper Tualatin. The capacity of the plant has been increased so that the output will be nearly or quite 50 thousand feet per day. The company will not operate the Cornelius plant this summer for the reason, a supply of logs is not available. The water in the streams went back on the loggers before they were ready to run the fall and winter cut. The mill men want teams. They have employment for thirty or forty wagons during the whole season.

Mr. Brown of the Bethany creamery has suspended for the reason milk was not to be had in quantities that would justify. That neighborhood is being invaded by the Forest Grove condensed milk factory. It is a long haul, being almost 17 miles distant from the factory. Mr. Brown attributes the scant supply of milk in the Bethany district to the price of hay. The farmers find it, or think they do, more profitable to sell their hay in Portland only seven and eight miles away. Is it possible that hay is worth too much for the ultimate prosperity of the country?

William Tucker, of the Delta Drug Store, had an accident last Tuesday morning, which came very near being serious. He was mixing a compound of chemicals which required to be heated during the process. He brought into service an alcohol lamp, and when taking the compound off the blaze, the lamp in some manner overturned, spilling the blazing alcohol over Mr. Tucker's right hand and clothes. The blaze also spread about the room, but the damage was slight, except that William is carrying a very badly burned hand at present.

Mark Phelps, of Portland, and Miss Maud Rice, of this city, were married at the home of the bride's parents last Sunday at 1 o'clock by Rev. Smith of Portland. Miss Beulah Bughman was bridesmaid. Mr. Phelps is a brother to Rev. Phelps of this city and is highly respected by his many acquaintances. Miss Rice is well known here and it is with displeasure that her many friends think of giving her up, for Mr. and Mrs. Phelps will make their future home in Portland. The INDEPENDENT wishes to congratulate the young couple and wish them many years of happiness.

The annual debate between the college teams of the University of Oregon and Pacific University occurred at Marsh Hall, Forest Grove, last Friday evening. The question discussed was "Resolved, that laws should be passed establishing Boards of Arbitration and compelling labor organizations and their employers to submit their disputes to the arbitration of these boards and to abide by their awards." The Eugene boys had the choice of sides and took the affirmative, no doubt being influenced by the clamor of the unions which was a somewhat popular a year or two ago. The disputants on the negative were W. G. Hare, W. G. Hale and Frank Peters, all Hillsboro boys. The debate was spirited, though the visitors could not worst our lads, for they were able to satisfy the judges unanimously that the argument was won by Pacific University team. This is the second debate won by the Forest Grove college. Three have been held.

C. H. McInnes and wife, visited on Sunday last with Dr. and Mrs. F. J. Bailey. Mr. McInnes is secretary of the Portland Manufacturers Association and as such is much interested in flax culture in Oregon. The Association now is in correspondence with the transcontinental railroad companies asking for a special rate on flax hay that will match wool and timothy hay. But do the people of Oregon want such a rate? It will be better for us if the rate is put up rather than lowered. It is to our interest that the flax factories come here rather than send our flax straw east to be manufactured.

A story is going the rounds to the effect that Mark Hanna once gave a banquet to 50 Ohio farmers. The desert was to be 25 watermelons. On the day before the dinner Mr. Hanna had them plugged and poured a pint of wine into each melon, then placed them on ice. After the dinner, each farmer was given a half melon. They all began tasting them, winked at each other, looked wise and before the affair was over every farmer was slipping the seed in his vest pocket. It is noted that however what sort of watermelons Mark's guests raised the next year.

Presbytery of Portland finished its business Wednesday evening. Revs. W. H. Dierdorf and J. E. Day were received by letter; Mr. M. A. Anderson was taken under the care of Presbytery as a student for the ministry. Rev. Dr. Wilson, Principal of Portland Academy was elected commissioner to the General Assembly, with Rev. Chaplin Gilbert alternate. Also Rev. H. Marcote of Astoria with Rev. A. Robinson of Hillsboro alternate. General Assembly meets next May in Los Angeles, Cal.

The Hillsboro youngsters played a game of baseball last Saturday with Cornelius on their grounds. Although it rained steadily, a good game was played. Hillsboro furnished nearly all the baseball implements and won out by a score of 12 to 7. The umpiring was good. The Hillsboro Bantams will line up against the Pacific University Park. They were beaten two weeks ago but the boys lacked team work and the umpire was most foul in his decisions.

Lieutenant-Governor Lee of Missouri, who ran away to Chicago rather than tell what he knew about hoodling in the Legislature, is quoted as saying that he "had not made a cent out of legislation." It is gratifying that he can give himself a good character for even so short a time as that.—Journal.

COURT HOUSE.

PROBATE.

Est John P. Smith deed. Will proven and estate has been admitted to probate. The widow, Mary C. Smith is administratrix-with-the-will annexed. Appraisers Ed. Thomas, W. J. Butler and John O'Brien.

Est W. H. Lee minor, John F. Lee appointed guardian. Bond \$800.

Est Abner M. Vaughn deed. The executor is authorized to sell the personal property at public or private sale as shall be for the best interest of the estate.

Est John D. Ledrick, deed. Final account filed and Monday, May 25, set for examination.

Est Elizabeth Jackson, aged. P. M. Jackson has been appointed guardian. Bond \$1,000.

Est Rebecca Wright, deed. The will of deceased was admitted to probate. The executrix is Annie E. Dixon. Bond \$4,000. Appraisers, A. T. Buxton, Alex. Hunter and A. M. Grubb. The appraisers report shows property worth \$3,909.60.

Est Joseph E. Pugh, deed. Inventory of property filed. Value \$1,404.50. The personal property, excepting one hack and one mowing machine, set over to the widow.

Est Cyrus Bacon, deed. Estate admitted to probate. Arthur Bacon was appointed administrators with bond fixed at \$1,000. Appraisers, James Flippen, Isaac B. White and Amos Mead.

Est Sarah Holcomb, minor. Inventory filed. Value of property \$250.

Est W. H. Lee, minor. Appraisers, W. H. Baker, James Mann and Lewis.

Est Ben E. Jones, deed. Final account allowed and estate closed.

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

License to wed were issued April 25, to John H. Kindel 21 and Anna M. Jensen 21, to Mark P. Phelps 27 and Maud G. Rice 21 and James A. Thwaite 33 and Fannie Harrendon 31.

GAGE CREEK ITEMS.

An old fashioned wool picking took place at the home of Mrs. Mat Hines on Wednesday of last week. Those present were Mrs. Guy Thrapp, Miss Gertrude Quilty, Mrs. Ed. Lilly, Mrs. Mollie Lilly, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. White, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hundley, F. M. White Jr. and Fred Lilly. Mrs. Hines prepared an excellent dinner of which the wool-pickers were invited to partake. We are

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not certain of the amount of wool picked but we are certain every one had a good time and enjoyed the dinner.

Miss Alice Cronin visited her parents at Forest Grove on Saturday.

Mr. W. T. Buxton spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. Ranes.

Mrs. Carpenter came out Saturday to spend a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Miller.

The dance at Carl Ilers on Wednesday night was well attended and a good time reported.

Last Thursday while Frank Barnard was going from Gales Creek to Patton's mill accompanied by his wife and Mrs. Woodham, he met with an accident. The hack upset throwing Mrs. Barnard heavily to the ground, she received several bad bruises on her head and arms. The rest of the party escaped with a few scratches.

An oyster supper will be given at the Grange hall on Saturday night of this week.

Mrs. Caroline Iler has gone to Forest Grove for a few days visit.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

Sauer Krant, J. A. Kremis.

Chase & Sanborn's coffee at Dennis, Oils and Paints.—J. A. Kremis.

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New line table linen at the Racket Store.

Fish, salted and smoked. J. A. Kremis.

Decorated China ware. A crate just received. J. A. Kremis.

The swellest Neglige and golf shirts in town for men, boys and youths.

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Situation wanted by a strong active boy of 14 year of age. Enquire at this office.

Boys waists at 18 cents and up less than you can make them for at the Racket Store.

Fishing tackle, Spalding base-ball goods and bicycle sundries at E. L. McCormick's.

Mr. R. M. Stabe, tailor, has opened a shop on Main street in the Chenette Row.

Job lot ball hats at reduced prices while they last; boys base balls, mits and gloves at F. R. Dailey's bicycle store.

When a wheel you're going to buy, And want the very best, Ask McCormick to RACCYCLE for a test. His big wheeled RACCYCLE for a test.

Fourteen new iron beds just received at E. L. McCormick's furniture store. Various colors and prices. Call and see them.

Cash bargains in Wolfe-American bicycles. Second-hand wheels taken in trade. Also bargains in second-hand wheels at F. R. Dailey's Bicycle Hospital.

Tokio Blend Tea, sold by our merchant, John Dennis, is a combination of fine drawing tea showing exceptional cup qualities, and is a handsome liquor. It is put up in a fine China basket.

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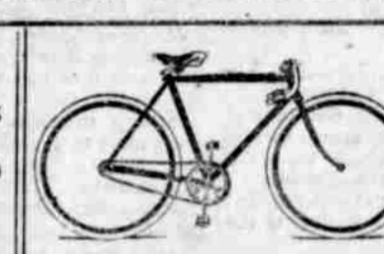
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The undersigned will sell at public auction at the mill known as the old Dudley mill, on Dairy creek, six miles north of Cornelius, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m., on SATURDAY, MAY 2nd, 1903, the following described personal property:

1 bay mare, 6 years old, weight 1500; 1 bay gelding, 6 years old, weight about 1500; 1 grey mare, 7 years old, weight 1300; 1 sorrel gelding, weight 1100; 4 milk cows; 4 heifers; 2 Berkshire sows; 1, 3/4 farm wagon; 1, 3/4 Newton wagon; 1 road cart; 1 set work harness; 2 sets buggy harness; 1 mower; 1 hay rake; plows, harrow, cultivators and other farm tools; also household furniture.

TERMS OF SALE.

All sums under \$10 cash. Sums of \$10 and over a credit of six months on approved notes, at 8 per cent. interest; 3 per cent. off for cash.

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