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For nine years a farmer living nine miles east of Corvallis has raised an average of 50 bushels of corn to the acre and this year he had 70 bushels per acre.

Do not forget that you can get school supplies at McCormick's music store. Everything in school supplies except school books.

A woman's idea of a perfect husband is a man who will tell her she looks beautiful in a Mother Hubbard and curl papers.

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It is now a certainty that the section of Washington county around Corvallis is most favorably adapted for walnut growing. There is no more profitable crop, and a good many trees have been set out.—Portland Journal.

It is only the unmarried men who talk loudly that they would and would not let their wives do. The married men are silent.

Holiday goods arriving every day at R. H. Greer's. We will have the largest and finest assortment in this line in the county.

W. T. Fogle, of Portland, formerly of Grinnville, has purchased the Forest Grove Times from Walter Hoge. Mr. Fogle has been in the newspaper business a good many years.

A dandy and appreciative gift to any one, young or old, is a bottle of our high grade perfume. All kinds and all sizes of bottles. The very best, at the Hillsboro Pharmacy.

Because of a longshoremen's strike in Italy, no immigrants for the United States are able to leave via Naples and Genoa, and more than 10,000 future American citizens have crowded the cheap hotels and lodging-houses of Hamburg and Bremen, where they are waiting for steamship accommodations. The majority of them are entirely without means, and many of them are on the verge of starvation.

Kodaks, Razors, Shaving Mugs, and Strops; Fancy Stationery, etc., especially for the Christmas trade at the Hillsboro Pharmacy. Leather Purses, Pocket Books and Bill Books, genuine leather.

H. V. Gates, who owns the electric light plant at Castle Rock, Wash., is preparing to rebuild the structure which was destroyed by the floods of last month. He says his loss was about \$10,000, but that the new plant will cost much more, and will be more extensive in every respect. Mr. Gates, who is a resident of Hillsboro, Or., has light and water plants in various parts of the Northwest. He says he never insures the property against fire, as rates are prohibitive, and that all the damage thus far suffered has been by flood. His plant at Heppner was destroyed in the flood of three years ago, and his loss at that time was about \$2800. He thinks he has saved enough in fire insurance to build a plant since he has been in the business.—Portland Telegram.

How about one of those Christmas boxes of nice cigars for him. The regular high grade cigars that he smokes every day put up in small boxes for the Christmas trade only. Phone the Hillsboro Pharmacy and they will reserve a box of the regular kind. Don't miss our burnt leather cigar holders. He will appreciate one.

William Behlmann, a farmer from Cornelius, who happened to come to Portland on a business trip and by mingling with the crowds last Saturday night during the street car riot, landed in jail, was all ready to go back to the farm. He gave it as his opinion that it was not after midnight when arrested, although the prison register showed that he had been thrust behind the bars at 1 a. m. "How are you so certain that it was before midnight?" asked the court. "Do you carry a watch?" "I do," replied the defendant, "but it does not keep good time," and he exhibited a time-piece with only one hand.—Portland Journal.

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The internal revenue department is being swamped with letters of inquiry from all parts of the country in regard to the manufacture of denatured alcohol, the new law relating to which is to become effective the first of the year. From the letters it is evident that many farmers and others are of the mistaken opinion that the manufacture of the alcohol will be a simple matter and that great profits are to be derived from the business. The internal revenue commissioner desires to have it understood that this is a mistaken idea. In the opinion of the department it will be impossible for the farmer, or for even an association of small farmers, to engage profitably in the manufacture of denatured alcohol. In the

first place it is absolutely obligatory to the makers of the product to own not alone distillery machinery, which is costly if the product is to be made on a large scale, but it is necessary, under the law for the manufacture of denatured alcohol to have one bonded warehouse upon the premises for the storage of natural spirits as they are first distilled and another bonded warehouse adjoining the first for the denaturing or poisoning of the tax-free alcohol. The changing of natural spirits into denatured spirits is to be watched by the government just as jealously as the production of the original alcohol or the manufacture of whiskey by the rectifiers.

All toys and holiday goods carried over from last year will be sold by Mrs. Pillsbury at half price. Now is the time to make the little ones happy at small cost.

The wheel which Senator E. W. Haines has been putting in at his water plant, 12 miles west of Forest Grove, for the past month, which was to furnish the power to operate the electric light and water system for Forest Grove, has been tried and proven unsuccessful. The wheel would operate all right if the pipe were larger. There is plenty of water in the stream during the winter season to furnish ample power for the lighting of that place, but with the new wheel, and only a 30-inch pipe, it is impossible to do so. It would require all the water that can be put through a six-foot pipe against this new wheel to furnish sufficient power to light the city and operate the street-car. Mr. Haines' plan now is to send a crew of men to the plant and put in a flume, and to use the same wheels that were formerly used. D. B. Reasoner, of this city, has been engaged to do the work. It is thought that by building a flume above the dam about 1000 feet in length the water flamed against the two wheels formerly in operation there will supply plenty of power. While this work is being done which will take about a month, the residence portion of the town will be without electric light, but the business houses will be lighted and the street car will continue to run.

Christmas! You all know what that means. Our wants, of course, will always vary. But if you want Sweets and know "beans," try PALMATEER'S CONFECTIONERY. Special in all Lowney's Candies. Extra good goods in all this line. Tobacco, Cigars that are Dandies; Oysters and Fruits and all things fine.

Santa Claus has made his headquarters at Bob Greer's.

That her castle-like home at Forest Grove should be used for a library and museum after her death is the express desire of Mrs. G. O. Rogers, an elderly widow, who has been prominent in educational work in Oregon for many years. Forest Grove has had a private library and free reading room for the past three years, maintained entirely by individual subscriptions, and Mrs. Rogers has spent much of her time in looking after its welfare. She decided some months ago to bequeath her house and park to the city to be used for a public library and museum after her death, if the city should maintain any interest in such a proposition by helping along the present struggling private institution. The city council at its regular session last week voted a tax of 1 mill, or about \$400, toward the support of the private library, and Forest Grove will no doubt fall heir to Mrs. Rogers' valuable estate as the result. The house is of antique English style of architecture and was built by Rider, the noted violin maker. The park comprises an entire block and is covered with oak trees. The place is worth about \$12,000.

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County Correspondence

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Tigardville.

Regular Correspondent. The Tigardville building boom has now been abandoned until spring, the weather being too wet for building.

Harry Freewing has returned from Canada, not being very much pleased with that cold country.

Miss Croyle, teacher of the Bond school, has announced that she will hold her Christmas entertainment next Friday night. Everybody welcome and a fine program assured.

Frank Borneit had a fine new fence put up in front of his home last week.

Miss Leda Brandt is getting well, having greatly improved the last two weeks.

A little Christmas party took place several days back at Portland at the home of Rev. E. Hornschuck. The parties receiving the baptism were Jennie and Mable Huslage, of this burg.

The Evangelical Sunday school will give a Christmas entertainment on Christmas eve. A large crowd is expected as usual.

Mr. Miller from Beaverton has moved in our midst. He is living on the Fred Gault place.

A great many people are on the sick, or had cold list, at present.

The Grange will hold its monthly meeting Saturday, December 22, also to elect new officers for next year.

M. Wyman, who has been sick for the past four months and who underwent a most dangerous surgical operation at St. Vincent's hospital, is up and doing well.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Shaver, formerly of Tigardville, now of Portland, a son.

Well this town is really going to have an electric street car and that pretty quick. The company is working on it now. All we need to make this city a howling city is a butcher shop, a dry good store, a drug store and a bank. These are needed badly and we really ought to have a mayor, but for goodness sake, whatever you send us, don't send no real estate agents. We are overly supplied with them now.

Patsy.

Beaverton

Regular Correspondent. A "Dramatic Club" has been organized in our city. We await further developments.

About sixty young people enjoyed a good old fashioned "play party" in the hall last Saturday night.

The Barnes school will have a Christmas tree Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Hockens spent Sunday in Portland.

Jno. Tegman has disposed of his property to Mrs. M. Anderson.

Aunt Sally.

Pacific University Notes.

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Troy O. Mays, representing the International Conservatory of Music, of Dallas, Texas, secured a number of pupils in Sherwood and vicinity the past week. Instructions and music is furnished through the mail weekly.

The sale for the bank arrived yesterday and was placed in position today after an unusual length of time after shipment. All preparations are now completed for immediate business in that line.

Middleton station is becoming one of the principal points for the shipment of timber to the Portland market by railroad. Timber in that locality is still plentiful and within hauling distance of the road.

A number of young lads of this place are attending the High School at Newberg this winter. A morning and evening train permits them to reside at home at the same time, and also furnishes an abundance of railway transportation by way of variety.

Recently two very respectable and reputable citizens, neighbors and kindred by matrimonial alliances, residing not far away became involved in a hot-air dispute which finally culminated in a fist fight. The result of which placed the younger and plucky antagonist in a somewhat condition in short order. A well directed upper cut planted in juxtaposition to the olfactory apparatus suddenly and instantly reduced his equilibrium from the upright to the horizontal and further resulted in fracturing the osseous portion of his nasal protuberance at one and the same instant. Round one closed the sanguinary combat, the younger combatant being non-combatant and of necessity was compelled to "elevate the sponge."

The victim's nasal anatomy was immaculately fixed by rubbing adhesive and placed in "statu quo" in anticipation of kind natures' reparative process making him whole again. P. S. This refers to a "fist fight" of a quick, hot and active character with full details—a la "snicky."

Probably in order to demonstrate that the newspaper fraternity do not strictly stick to the truth in regard to the car shortage the Southern Pacific have sidetracked empties enough here in the last few days to reach from the lower warehouse to the extreme north end of town. The landside is obscured by cars the full length of railroad way without any question about it, but could one be secured for local purposes a question only to be answered at general quarters.

A full line of high grade clocks and jewelry of all kinds has just been received at the Sherwood jewelry store for the holiday trade. No cheap or "shoddy" goods handled such as usually found in but in establishments trying to do a "dime-smock" retail business.

J. C. Smoek appointed railway station agent and Wells, Fargo & Co's representative when Sherwood was first made a station on the line of the Southern Pacific has recently resigned. Mrs. Dora Saitus (nee Smoek) has been in charge of the office as well as telegraph operator under her father during the interim has also sent in her resignation. A new agent will soon arrive to take charge of the companies' business here.

No decision has yet been reached in regard to public exercises or tree Christmas, however the town is loaded with holiday goods and one need not do without goods on that account. Our neighborhood town, Middleton is still on the map and proposes, as usual, due observance of the occasion in a public way. So mote it be.

Firdale

Regular Correspondent. The Literary Society of Firdale will give a pie social on next Saturday evening, December 22, at 7:30 p. m. There will be a good program after which there will be a pie feast. Everyone come it will be at the school house.

Miss Emma Krouse is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Haase, at the present time.

Many from here were in attendance at the party at Wm. Haas's last Sunday. There was a good time for all. We hope to see more parties just like that one.

Some of the pupils at our school are preparing for the Eighth grade examinations to be held in January. They are hoping for better luck than they had last year.

Many from here were in Hillsboro last Saturday getting ready for St. Nick. They didn't come home without anything either.

Itty Watt.

Reduced Round Trip Excursion Rates to Pacific Coast in 1907.

During the summer season of 1907, reduced round trip excursion rates will be in effect from the East to the Pacific Coast, Montana, British Columbia and Arizona points.

Rates from Chicago via direct lines to North Pacific Coast points will be \$75, and from Missouri river common points (Council Bluffs to Kansas City inclusive) also St. Paul and Minneapolis, rates will be \$60. St. Louis \$60 and Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo \$50. Rates to Spokane and points effected will be \$5 less than to the coast. Rates one way via California will be \$13.50 higher than those above mentioned. Tickets will be on sale daily, June 1st to September 15, 1907, with final return limit of October 31, 1907.

Account of Twenty-third International Christian Endeavor Convention at Seattle, Wash., July 16th to 15th, 1907; Convention of Baptist Young People's Union, Spokane, Wash., July 4th to 7th, 1907; Grand Lodge Independent Order of Good Templars, Seattle, Wash., July 16th to 22nd, 1907, rate of one lowest normal first class limited fare for round trip for direct routing with \$12.50 additional one way through California, has been named to North Pacific Coast points and Spokane from Chicago, St. Louis, Missouri River and Colorado points. Sale dates east of Colorado points, June 20th to July 12th, 1907, west, June 21st to July 13th, 1907, final return limit September 15th, 1907.

Account of Mystic Shrine Convention, Los Angeles, May 9th to 11th, 1907, and Conference of German Baptist Brethren, Los Angeles or Long Beach, Calif., May 16th to 23rd, 1907, and National Eclectic Medical Association, Long Beach, Calif., June 18th to 23rd, 1907, one lowest first class fare for the round trip has been authorized to Los Angeles and San

Francisco with \$12.50 additional for tickets routed one way via Portland. Sale dates, Mystic Shrine and German Baptists, April 25th to May 19th, 1907; final return limit July 31st, 1907, and for the M. E. M. association, sale dates June 8th to 15th, with final return limit August 21st, 1907.

Wm. McMURRAY.

G. P. A., O. R. & N. and S. P. Ry's.

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John N Smith et ux to Charles Shesee 12 acres in R 8 Tupper D L C T 1 S 4 W..... 600 00

Tobias Pfennig to F M Heidel W 1 of N E 1/4 and E 1 of N W 1/4 Sec 23 T 3 N 5 W..... 700 00

William R Harris et ux to L W Underwood 5 acres in William Stokes D L C T 1 N 3 W..... 300 00

John A Striplin to Frank Reh 25.76 acres Sec 28 T 1 N 3 W..... 1887 50

Frank Reh to Joseph Jockstetter same as above..... 1000 00

J L Loving et ux to Jas T Newberry 1-16 acre Sec 8 T 1 N 4 W Albert A Mead to Lewis H Holt tract in Sec 4 T 2 N 4 W (in Buxton)..... 350 00

John W Fuqua et ux to John A Thorburgh et al part of block 6 Forest Grove..... 1500 00

Wm Reid et ux to Adrian McCallman lots 6, 7 and 8 block 23 West Portland Heights..... 10 00

Rebecca Miller to Emma Alberts 119.45 acres Sec 25 T 2 N 3 W F C Pauli to Wm A Hays tract in South Coast Add Hillsboro..... 625 00

A H Ruedy to Ernest G Ruedy 4.22-100 acres in George Richardson D L C T 2 S 1 W..... 500 00

Joseph Liebenritt et ux to Wm E. Haage et ux 67 acres in Secs 14 and 11 T 2 N 4 W..... 1850 00

The Title Guarantee & Trust Co to M B Rankin all of Sec 29 E 3 T 1 N 2 W..... 2425 00

Sec 31 W 1 of S E 1 of Sec 32 T 1 N 3 W and 1/2 of S W 1/4 S W 1/4 of N E 1 N E 1 of S W 1/4 Sec 8, and N E 1/4 S E 1/4 and N 1/4 of S W 1/4 Sec 17 T 3 N 5 W..... 1 00

E S Lyons to Geo M Hunter 46-100 acres in I Kelsey D L C..... 350 00

Clintia A Burris (by Adams) to Jno Hooker, Jr., lots 14, 15 & 16 block 1 Northside Add Hillsboro..... 675 00

Chris Johnson et ux to The Peñon Company 26 acres Sec 21 T 2 N 2 W..... 650 00

Jas W Henderson et ux to Thos Howe, tract in South Coast Add Hillsboro..... 1000 00

Thos Howe et ux to Jas W Henderson tract in Fairview Add Hillsboro..... 1675 00

Hop Market is Improving.

A steady improvement is shown in the tone of the hop market. Purchases during the past few days have shown an increase over the large and liberal transactions of the previous week, and the buying at this time breaks all previous records for the holiday season. On all sides the better tone is displayed and prices at this time are considerably firmer than at any time since the hops were in the bale. Dealers are making every effort to land all the cheap hops they possibly can before the growers begin to realize that the outward movement has practically taken all the hops in the state. It is noted with satisfaction by growers that the people who were so bullish on hops the first part of the season and were talking 25c are now saying nothing but sawing wood. At that time they bulled the market because they wanted to unload some of their cheap priced goods at a high figure while now they have no surplus on hand and are trying to buy. They are not talking at this time of a higher market, however.

The orange market is considerably firmer and some dealers are asking an advance over former low prices. Supplies for the holidays are not as great as the trade anticipated they would be because the Southern California growers are not shipping in this direction just now. The strength is especially shown in the larger sizes on account of the extremely short supplies of this grade.—Portland Journal.

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