

THE INDEPENDENT, HILLSBORO.

By D. W. BATH.

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TIME-TABLE
FROM HILLSBORO.

SOUTH.		NORTH.	
No. 2.	No. 1.	No. 2.	No. 1.
8:16 a. m.	5:08 p. m.	8:16 a. m.	5:08 p. m.
No. 4.	No. 3.	No. 4.	No. 3.
5:29 p. m.	9:03 a. m.	5:29 p. m.	9:03 a. m.

GOING NORTH.

No. 7 a. m.	No. 9 p. m.
Forest Grove.....6:45	1:30
Cornelius.....6:39	1:34
Hillsboro.....6:51	1:42
Reedville.....7:00	1:55
Beaverton.....7:10	2:06
Ar.....7:55	2:50

GOING SOUTH.

No. 8 a. m.	No. 10 p. m.
Portland.....7:00	5:40
Beaverton.....11:44	7:04
Reedville.....11:55	7:15
Hillsboro.....12:07	6:40
Cornelius.....12:15	7:30
Forest Grove.....12:20	6:25

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Shoes for everybody at Baird's. See the large Easter assortment at the Den of Sweets.

Fancy Easter boxes, chickens, rabbits and Easter eggs. Den of Sweets.

Senator Fulton at Crescent Theatre next Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The New 1908 Model bicycles are hummers. R. Lee Sears has them on display at his store.

See the large display of peanut dainties that the Den of Sweets has on display this week.

A wedding invitation usually costs you some money but Baird's invitation costs you nothing. See ad.

When in town call at Palmateer's Confectionery and try the famous Hires' Root Beer. Always cool.

The county commissioners are in session this week. The full proceedings will be published next week.

Procure your field and garden seeds and onion sets from R. H. Greer for spring planting. Reliable brands.

Thomas J. Baldwin, a capitalist from Minnesota, is in the city looking to the purchase of desirable farm property.

Remember that Senator Fulton will speak in Crescent Theatre next Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, April 9th.

A grand Social Dance will be given in Grange Hall, Tigardville Saturday, April 4. Tickets, 50c. Music by Richards.

Hazelwood Ice Cream, Fresh Oysters, Confections, Fruits, Nuts, Cigars, Tobaccos and Pipes at Palmateer's Confectionery.

Webb & Hoover sells Utah Land Plaster for \$13.25 per ton, and yellow Danver Onion Seed for 80c per pound. Call and see them.

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Full line of apple, pear, peach, cherry and other nice nursery stock; also roses and cabbage plants. MORTON'S GREEN HOUSE.

Mrs. Andrew Doohar, who went to St. Vincents hospital March 23rd, had a four-pound goitre removed from her neck last week, and she is not only recovering from the operation, but is among the happiest women in this section. She is getting along nicely and is expected home soon.

Elder Beery will preach at Farmington next Sunday at 11 a. m. and at Hillsboro at 8 p. m. Subject, "The Meanest Thing in Hillsboro." Special music.

Weak, weary, watery eyes, welcome Dr. Lowe's glasses. Consult him at Tualatin Hotel, Monday. He does not go from house to house except in case of sickness.

The 4-year-old daughter of J. H. Turpin, who lives on Second and Oak streets, fell from a fence one day last week, cutting a gash to the bone over the right eye. Dr. A. B. Bailey attended the child.

County School Supt. M. C. Case is planning to hold a series of local institutes, one at Banks April 11; one at Dilley April 18; and the third at Beaverton April 25th.

The building season is now at hand and any one contemplating work in this line should call on The Climax Milling Co., when figuring on material. We have a complete stock always on hand. Both phones.

Hon. E. W. Haines has filed his petition for the nomination of state senator. Mr. Haines' record at Salem is good and he will undoubtedly make a good run. Though he was about the last man to file his petition, his friends believe that his racing qualities are such that the dust will be thick and swift along the political race track from now until the wire is reached on April 17.

Mrs. Fred Zilly of Portland is spending the week with her relatives here.

Post cards, the right kind, can be found at Mrs. Bath's, Linklater building, east of court house.

R. H. Greer has a splendid line of field and garden seeds and onion sets. A fine opportunity.

The prohibitionists have filed their petition and the war between "dry" and "wet" is now on in earnest.

For up-to-date millinery and ladies' furnishing goods, go to Mrs. Bath's, Linklater building, east of the court house.

A few more scenes such as was witnessed on Main street last Friday evening would land Hillsboro in the "dry" column.

Earnest Foord went to Portland Saturday and was operated upon the same day for appendicitis. From last reports he was getting along fine.

Leslie Lytle cut his hand badly Wednesday while chopping wood, nearly severing the thumb from the hand. It required ten stitches in dressing the wound.

Miss Josephine Schulmerich of this city and Thomas Bilyen of Portland were married in that city Tuesday evening. The bride was born and raised in Washington county and has a host of friends who extend congratulations.

The late George W. Conser, whose funeral was held at Heppner yesterday afternoon, was a cousin of Mrs. H. T. Bagley of this city. He was cashier of the First National Bank of Heppner and his death was sudden.

Mrs. Lillie Kuhn returned last Monday from a visit to Kansas accompanied by her two daughters whom she had not seen for several years. The girls will remain permanently with their mother.

Gov. Chamberlain has been invited to come to Hillsboro April 18th, at the time of the big horse show and parade and he has promised to be here if possible. He is expected to make a speech on that occasion, but no mention will be made of politics.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kehrl, of Bethany, celebrated their silver wedding last Sunday, and more than a hundred friends were present and joined in the festivities and partook of the splendid dinner. Quite a number from Hillsboro were present.

Next Monday, one day only, April 6th, Dr. Lowe, the well-known optician, will be at Hotel Tualatin. Dr. Lowe has been coming to Hillsboro for more than sixteen years and can furnish hundreds of Washington county references.

Have Dr. Lowe, the eye specialist, relieve your headaches with a pair of his superior glasses. They cost no more than others and you have the benefit of his skill and over 18 years experience. Consult him at Hotel Tualatin next Monday, April 6th.

Senator C. W. Fulton will be at the Crescent Theatre in this city next Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock and will address our citizens on the political issues. Visitors from the east can come to Hillsboro on the 12:06 train and return on the 5:08, and those from the west can arrive on the 1:43 and depart at 5:20.

Congressman Hawley has been notified that the following increases of pensions have been allowed to Washington county veterans: John H. Clear, Sherwood, \$15; Lewis S. Fairchild, Cornelius, \$20; William L. Davis, Tualatin, \$15; M. H. Grosbeck, Hillsboro, \$12; J. J. Hill, Hillsboro, \$12; Henry Harrington, Cornelius, \$15; J. L. Laughlin, Forest Grove, \$8; J. C. Strain, Dilley, \$12; J. M. Simons, Oswego, \$15.

A Forest Grove special of yesterday says: "By turning over to the E. W. Haines bank 37,000 shares of stock in the Commercial Mining Company, Deputy Sheriff F. T. Kane, of Hillsboro, has secured settlement of the suit against him to recover the alleged deficiency and strengthen the assets of the Haines bank, which closed during the recent stringency, so materially that adjustment will be correspondingly easier. The stock is said to pay \$300 a month."

The saloon men of Hillsboro will be placed on trial next week on charges of selling and giving intoxicating liquor to minors. Nineteen informations have been returned, but as the circuit court docket is congested, it seems probable that only four cases will be tried. W. E. McCourt will be the first on the list and his trial will commence Tuesday, April 7, to be followed by F. E. Cornelius, April 8; Granger & Wann, April 9, and W. V. Wiley, April 10. The cases will be hard fought, Bagley & Hare and E. B. Tongue appearing for the defendants and District Attorney Hedges, Deputy J. M. Wall and H. T. Bagley for the prosecution. These cases will no doubt be watched with a greater degree of interest than any yet tried this term.

We have had to take a few names off our subscription book this week, but could not help it. We hate to lose the names, but they were one year and more behind and we had to do it. It's the law, and we don't propose to run up against \$100 fine.

"Whom Shall We Obey" will be the Sunday morning sermon in the Congregational church.

"Why Should You Vote Prohibition" will be the evening topic. Evening service will be at 7:30 until further notice. All are welcome.

Harry Bowman, Earl Donelson, Clay Freeman, Frank Wallace, Herbert Heidel and the Misses Ruby Galloway and Grace Bath came down from the O. A. C. at Corvallis last Friday evening to spend the short-term vacation, returning to their studies Monday morning.

Claims for the death of Mrs. Bates and child, killed in the recent wreck on the Southern Pacific, near Forest Grove, have been settled. J. E. Bates, the surviving husband, as administrator and also guardian of Florence Bates, the child injured but not killed, compromised all the claims for a total sum of \$10,000. The matter was amicably arranged with the Southern Pacific company and the probate court approved the settlement.

Thurston Johnson, now of Colorado but thirty-five years ago a resident of Hillsboro, was in town one day last week, and expressed his surprise at the growth of this city and county. He looked about for a few landmarks but could find none, and then turned his attention to trying to find some of his old friends.

With the exception of Dr. F. A. Bailey, not a one could he find. He felt like a stranger in a strange land, though this was his home a number of years prior to 1873.

Dr. Shepherd, who has been practicing osteopathy in this city for the past two years, dividing his time between Hillsboro and Portland, closed his office here for good last Tuesday, much to the regret of a good many friends and patrons. The doctor's practice has so increased in Portland that he finds it absolutely impossible to attend outside cases. His patients in this city have been numerous and his success marked, so much so that those needing his treatments will look him up in the city. His office is located at 312 Swedland building, Fifth and Washington.

Sunday brought to a close a very successful year in the work of the United Evangelical church in this city. Twelve new members were received into church fellowship. During the year a fine new property was secured and the church moved upon it and is at present undergoing extensive improvements. The pastor left on Wednesday to attend the annual conference which convenes at Dallas, Bishop H. B. Hortyler of Harrisburg, Pa., who is to preside at the conference, will visit Hillsboro April 16. In the absence of the pastor the Rev. A. D. Westfall will have charge of the services on Sunday, both morning and evening.

Sam C. Lancaster, lecturer under authority of the United States Good Roads Bureau of the Department of Agriculture, delivered an interesting and instructive illustrated lecture at Crescent Theatre last Saturday evening to a fair audience, a large number being present from Forest Grove. Mr. Lancaster showed photographs, on canvas, of good and bad roads in his home county in Tennessee, and demonstrated that Oregon could have the best of roads and at no greater cost than the present system of plankings, and stated that the material was here and in easy reach. It is hoped his visit will be the means of pushing the good roads question and at least start the good work in this city. If once under way there will be no let up. Hillsboro can have good streets, but not until plankings is discarded and crushed rock is used.

James A. Lucas, of Ray, N. D., who with his family has been visiting his brother, John T. Lucas of Buxton since last October, called at this office Wednesday in company of C. R. Adams, of Scholls, where Mr. Lucas has been visiting. These two gentlemen were friends and comrades more than forty years ago, away back in Waverly, Ia., and Mr. Lucas had no idea of seeing his friend here in Oregon. As they had not met in thirty-seven years, and the meeting here was unexpected, the reunion was a pleasant one all around. The brothers had not met for forty years, until James dropped in at Buxton last October. Mr. Lucas and family left for their North Dakota home yesterday, but we predict that before the rigors of another winter, they will be back to Oregon. A month or so of our pure mountain air usually puts a man in such a condition that no attraction beyond the range can woo him away so long.

WHITNEY ARRESTED.

He is charged with administering poison to Mabel Wirtz.

From Wednesday's Oregonian.

Admitting that he caused his sweetheart's death by supplying her with an antiseptic preparation containing corrosive sublimate of mercury, Dr. J. B. Whitney, a dentist of Forest Grove, is in jail. The charge lodged against him in a warrant sworn out of Justice of the Peace Reid's court is manslaughter. The girl, Miss Mabel Wirtz, died early Monday morning after an illness extending over three weeks.

From the time of her death until late yesterday afternoon the attending physician withheld the death certificate, to give Whitney an opportunity to make a voluntary statement, assigning the true cause of the young girl's untimely end and avowing his connection with it.

Whitney failed to keep his agreement. The hour of the funeral arrived and services were begun. The undertaker, who prepared the body for cremation, unable to permit the removal of the body from the chapel, finally telephoned for the death certificate. When this was furnished him and the cause of death, "mercuric poisoning," met his eyes, he at once notified Coroner Finley, who stepped into the case.

The coroner permitted the services to proceed, but forbade the removal of the dead girl's body until he could satisfy himself that there were no suspicious circumstances attached to the case. Investigation soon brought out Whitney's connection with the case and the coroner immediately swore out a warrant for the young dentist's arrest. Constable Lou Wagner found Whitney at his brother-in-law's residence and took him into custody. The information of felony was drawn by Assistant District Attorney Stevenson on complaint of Coroner Finley.

Miss Wirtz was 21 years of age, the daughter of Justice of the Peace Henry Wirtz of Forest Grove, and employed as a milliner by the Crown Hat Company. The family reside in this city at 308 1/2 College street.

The funeral services were to have taken place yesterday at 5 o'clock from Holman's undertaking chapel and to have been followed by cremation at the Portland crematorium. These ceremonies were interrupted by Coroner Finley, who, after learning the facts in the case, gave orders that the ceremonies would have to be postponed, so that an official investigation might be made.

It was the coroner's action which led to the arrest of Dr. Whitney. That official, finding that none of the relatives of the dead girl cared to make a complaint, took the initiative in the case and, after consulting with the district attorney's office, at once prepared the charge against Dr. Whitney. The coroner maintained that the facts as revealed by his investigation yesterday afternoon show a clear case of manslaughter against the arrested dentist.

Whitney has confessed that about three weeks ago he secured for Miss Wirtz a solution, not realizing that it contained mercury in such quantities as to be dangerous, and persuaded her to make use of it, for reasons growing out of their intimacy. The result was her death from mercurial poisoning. The facts in the case were first brought to light about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when Dr. J. Allen Gilbert, who had been attending the young woman, made out her death certificate, attributing the cause to "mercurial poisoning."

When Miss Wirtz was taken ill about three weeks ago she maintained that she had become sick through eating a hot tamale. As all the symptoms in her case were those of ptomaine poisoning, the attending physician gave this as his diagnosis. It was supposed that this was the truth until a short time before her death when it became known that her condition was most critical.

At this juncture, it is said, Dr. Whitney came forward and told the physician the true story in the hope that it was not too late to save the young woman's life. According to information in the hands of the coroner, the physician is said to have informed Dr. Whitney that there was little or no hope for the girl's recovery; that he would have to inform the girl's father, which he did, and that he would give dentist 24 hours in which to come forward and assume full responsibility. Before the 24 hours expired, Miss Wirtz died.

Dr. Whitney had come into the city to attend the funeral and had sent flowers for the casket. He was informed that the young woman's father felt most bitter toward him and advised him not to attend the funeral.

Whitney presented an extremely downcast appearance when taken to jail. He refused to talk much, but confessed the part he had taken in the matter and wept as he deplored the events.

Whitney is 30 years of age and has been a dentist in Forest Grove for the past three or four years. He came originally from Grand Rapids, Mich., where his relatives now live. He was graduated from a college of dentistry in Chicago. He had known Miss Wirtz for several years in Forest Grove. Miss Wirtz was well known in Forest Grove, as are the other members of the family. Their home was at that place up to a few weeks ago when they took up their residence in Portland. Her father is a tinsmith at Forest Grove, and two brothers are living in Portland.

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Whitney did not testify. Dejected, he sat through the proceedings, hanging his head. He was asked if he cared to testify, but said he did not, plainly fearing that he might affect his case by making a statement before the coroner's jury. Previous to the inquest Whitney was taken before Justice Reid, in the West Side Justice Court, for arraignment. There he said he had not secured the services of a lawyer and was granted a continuance until Friday.

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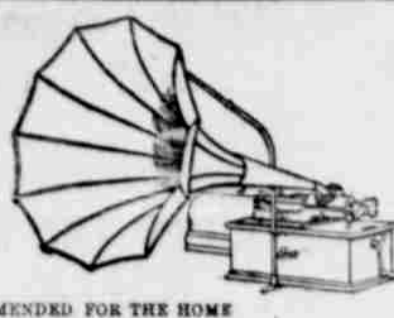
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