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SNOWSTORM OF
DECEMBER 1884

One of the Worst Ever Experienced Here in the Willamette Valley.

In the various newspaper accounts of unusual snowfalls and low temperatures experienced here in the Willamette valley in past years, we have failed to notice any mention of the snow storm of December, 1884.

This was some snow for a country where heavy snows are not expected, and the Graphic is sure that some of its readers will verify the statement. The snow we have had this winter so far is light in comparison with it and here is hoping that the weather gods will let us off for the winter without any attempt to equal that record of more than thirty years ago.

This particular storm was out of the ordinary for the valley in another particular, in that it came on without much previous announcement, finding many on the unprepared list. The snow came from the northeast and fell almost continuously for three days and nights. A part of the time it was fairly light but two or three times it turned almost to sleet, packing the snow and forming two or three heavy crusts, and yet with all this packing the snow lay at a depth of more than thirty inches on the level.

The writer was living on a farm near Newberg at the time and having his own stock to care for, he took charge of a neighbor's affairs, the latter being sick. Here cows were to milk, other stock to feed and water, and wood to get for the neighbor was out of fuel. Wading the heavy snow, breaking the crust day after day at two ranches was a task that took the full limit of day—light and a good degree of physical endurance, and a very vivid recollection is still retained of some of the discomforts of that storm period.

Business of all kinds was at a standstill for several days. The few railroads then operating in the country suspended operations until the storm ceased and the snow could be shoveled from the tracks, for snow plows were not then a part of the rolling stock of Oregon railroads.

A passenger train headed for Portland over the O. R. & N. road got caught between the Cascades and Multnomah Falls and stuck fast. The engine stalled and the train could neither go forward nor backward. The storm howled with demoniac terror to the passengers as the wind and snow and sleet was wind swept by the gale that sucked down the Columbia from east of the Cascade Mountains. Here for nearly a week passengers and train crew remained before relief was sent, for in this mountain section with great slides of snow and earth it was impossible to clear the track and get a train through, and the storm kept up with such fury that it was unsafe for them to try to walk out, and it was equally hazardous for men to try to go to them. With the first lull of the storm some men left the Cascades with provisions on their backs and with great difficulty made their way over ice and snow to give relief to the sufferers. Provisions were about exhausted and much discomfort and sickness, among women and children had been experienced. The spot where the train was shut in was so completely blocked that it was several days before it was learned just where it was, and great anxiety was felt for the safety of the passengers. To one who passes up and down the Columbia today such a thing as a lost train in that section would hardly seem possible, but it must be remembered that thirty years have brought changes. Then the road was new and often in the winter season snow and earth and rock slides occurred that required days to clear away. With this storm of such proportions and of such continuance the track was simply buried for miles, and passage up and down the river in anyway was impossible until the storm lost some of its fury. With all the force of men that could be put to work it was two weeks more before trains were able to run over the road. For several years the railroad company had heavy slides that cost no end of money and not until many changes were made in the location of the tracks were the difficulties overcome.

The snow here in the valley went away gradually, without much rain and did not bring on the extremely high water that was naturally to be feared. Then followed a "dry freeze" of the ground that killed practically all the fall sown wheat in the whole Willamette valley making a second seeding in the spring necessary, and as there was a shortage of seed in the valley, thousands of bushels had to be shipped into Oregon to meet the demand.

This was particularly hard on many farmers. They not only lost the wheat they had sown in the fall as seed, but having sold their surplus the year before, they were compelled to buy spring wheat for seed at an advanced price. About the only time the writer particularly enjoys seeing snow is on a July afternoon with a day off and nothing particularly to do but to hunt a good vantage point, with a stump to lean back against, and look at grand old Mt. Hood all covered with it and shimmering in the rays of the afternoon sun—distance always lends enchantment, and here is hoping that we may be spared the discomforts of another such an experience as that of December, 1884, here in the Willamette valley.

TRY CHIROPRACTIC

Will be at the Imperial Hotel, Newberg, Room No. 2, every Tuesday from 2 to 4 p. m. and Saturday from 2 to 6 p. m. If you are sick and ailing or have a trouble of long standing now is your time to investigate. Chiropractors have been successful in removing the cause of disease where other methods have failed. Call and I will give you a spinal analysis which costs you nothing. Dr. H. L. Chandler, 502-3-4 Broadway Bldg., Portland, Ore.

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WELLS ENTERTAINERS COMING

Friday night at Wood-Mar Hall Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Wells will entertain a lyceum audience with a varied program of song and story, piano solos, dramatic sketches, solos, etc. Don't fail to hear them.

P. C. BEATS MAC
IN A GREAT GAME

Enthusiastic Crowd of Newbergers Go by Special Train to "Root" for P. C.

Pacific's basket ball championship aspirations received a decided boost Saturday night, when the local quintet returned from the fray in McMinnville with the larger end of the 27-28 score. The "jinx," "hoodoo," call it what you will—that has troubled the Quaker team whenever it appeared on the floor of the Mac pavilion for some years past, was effectively "busted" this year. Not the least important factor in said process was the delegation of ninety-five enthusiastic and loyal rooters that accompanied the team on the special train furnished by the S. P. There was "pep" and enthusiasm galore, going and coming and at the game.

The game itself was fast and furious from start to finish. Replogle started the scoring by caging a goal on the first play. McMinnville soon duplicated the feat, and it was nip and tuck from that until the final whistle shot which ended the game. The first half ended 13-11 in favor of P. C. During the second half, first one team was ahead and then the other. With but two minutes left to play Replogle scored a field goal, which was followed shortly by a foul shot by Replogle. The end of the game found the Quakers leading by two points.

The speed of the game was considerably hindered by the very close interpretation of the rules on fouls given by Referee Botstford. He called a total of 33 fouls during the course of the game, although neither team was guilty of rough play. In the matter of free throws, Captain Replogle made seven points out of thirteen chances, while Simpson was able to make counters of but five out of a possible twenty. Guley played the most consistent game for Pacific, while Simpson put up the best game for McMinnville.

This was the first league game for either of the schools concerned. The next game for P. C. will be Saturday night of this week, when Pacific University will be seen in action on the local floor. P. U. has a fine team this year, and a close contest is assured.

CANNERY MEETING

It is hoped there will be a large turn-out of the stockholders of the Newberg Co-Operative Growers' Association Saturday afternoon, January 22, at 2 o'clock, in Duncan's Hall, as matters of vital interest to the company will come before them.

OBITUARY

Eugene Melinda Smith, daughter of Azum and Hannah E. Newby was born in Marshall County, Iowa, October 15, 1873, where she lived with her parents until their removal to Nebraska, five years later coming to Oregon.

She was a birthright member of the Friends church and was always a conscientious and useful worker, her untiring service always being a source of inspiration to those about her. She served the Missionary Board of Oregon Yearly Meeting with several of the best years of her life, both before her marriage

and later in connection with her husband. Their field was Kake, Alaska, where Mrs. Smith administered to the physical and spiritual needs of the natives with such tender sympathy that she won a permanent place in their affections.

She was married, July 3, 1904, to J. Harlan Smith to which union was born two children, Harold A. and Mildred Laverne. To these she was a most devoted wife and mother.

After a lingering illness of several months, during which time she was a most patient sufferer, Mrs. Smith passed away Sunday morning, January 16, leaving to mourn her loss a father, mother, two brothers and four sisters beside the immediate family.

Rev. Charles O. Whitely, the pastor, conducted the funeral services at the Friends church on Monday afternoon, Hodson and Elliott directing.

A very beautiful and fitting tribute was prepared and read by Mrs. Evangeline Martin at the service.

In memory of Melinda Smith, composed by J. Harlan Smith. Your life has had its joys and cares But strength has come by fervent prayers. You made life for your loved ones, sweet By living close to Jesus' feet.

By living close to Jesus' feet. When your mortal frame was growing weak, Future for dear ones seemed so bleak, Your words of kindness, peace and love, Pointed to the home above.

For every service by love and given Your thoughtful "I'll be with you" with the grace of heaven. You taught us how to love and live, For those who cannot see by living close to Jesus' feet.

Like a star you shined so truly true Your suffering now on earth is done The Master saw your Christian grace And now you see Him face to face.

To those you've loved and left behind The world seems cold and dark and blind, But His love is tender tried and true, By grace we'll follow Him life's journey through.

CREAMERY MAKES

GOOD SHOWING

When the creamery was established in Newberg it was thought by many people that with the milk condensery already established there was hardly room for the new industry, but time has proven that this view was not correct, for the creamery has prospered from the start and it seems that it has in no way injured the business of the condensery.

Some figures furnished the Graphic by the proprietors of the creamery show something of the volume of business done by the plant during the past year.

Butter fat was purchased to the amount of 133,807 pounds for which they paid to the farmers, \$37,729.29. Eggs were bought to the amount of \$7,286.69 and poultry to the amount of \$6,601.22 making a total of \$51,617.20 paid out to the farmers during the year for their products.

It will be to the advantage of the Graphic to secure as many small industries as possible that buy home products and employ labor. It all counts in building the community interests.

"THE POWDER AND THE MATCH"

This great lecture will be given by Judge George D. Alden at Wood-Mar Hall on Tuesday night of next week. Judge Alden spoke in Newberg six years ago and made a great impression as a platform orator. He is well worth hearing.

'A PARTY LINER

What Shall We Do With the Telephone Lister in the Pertinent Question Asked.

To the Editor:

Did you ever, Mr. Editor, live in the country, out in God's great out of doors? If so, were you on a "party line?" I wot not, else not all these years of silence. The hand that holds the pen would have written, even though that pen must needs have dipped in your own blood. Or, oh happy thought, perchance your neighbor was deaf and could not listen. At any rate a "one party" service is your privilege now. But we who dwell among the fields and woods ask your pity and we cry for the help of every man. For we, alas, are doomed to bare our secret selves to all the world, our world, to all who dwell along "our line."

Why is it, Mr. Editor.—The spy, in Europe, who steals the secret of the war is shot. The "Peeping Tom" in Portland, is sent to Kelly's Butte. The common thief, where ere he is, is branded with the stigma of a crime. But he who listens at the phone, combining in himself all three, the spy, the peeper and the thief, is neither hung, nor drawn, nor quartered, nor boiled in oil, neither is he tarred and feathered. He is just another member of all the neighbors, far and near, who pour on him all the wrath of their wrath. But what is that, for each one of them has placed into the phone, and every word of conversation uttered must make its passage through the channel of his ear.

Can you suggest some adequate punishment for one so contemptible as he?

Or can you from your wisdom impart instruction to his clouded mind? Teach him that it is no worse to take what does not belong to him from a purse than from a wire. It is as wrong to steal a conversation as a coin. Both are stealing.

Mr. Editor, thank heaven that you do not live on a "party wire." And if you can do ought to rid the country of its scourge, the country telephone eaves dropper; if you can do or say ought to help him to be a man; to call him back to honesty and to self respect; to teach him to scorn to take another's conversation as he would his gold, you will win the lasting gratitude of long suffering party liners, and we will teach our children to lip your name with reverence.

A Party Liner.

BIRTHDAY FESTIVITIES

A very pleasant day was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wills last Saturday in honor of Mrs. Wills' birthday.

A sleigh full of friends from Newberg came out for the birthday dinner.

The dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Charles O. Whitely and children, Mrs. Charley Butler, Miss Ethel Morris and Miss Pickard Moorhouse.

A number of guests were invited in for the afternoon, but owing to snow drifts and bad weather it kept Miss Mildred busy answering the telephone regrets the last few minutes. However several of the neighbors ventured out and the afternoon was pleasantly spent in listening to Miss Morris give several of her splendid readings.

Mrs. Whitely sang the song "Victory" which was appreciated by all. Miss Everett gave a reading. Miss Mildred Wills, a select reading; Esther Whitely, an instrumental solo; Mrs. Whitely, Esther and Robert Whitely sang a song. After which all joined in singing one or two good old hymns, and Mr. Whitely offered prayer.

Before the guests started homeward on their merry sleigh ride, the hostess served ice cream and cake, and all left wishing Mrs. Wills many happy returns of the day, and leaving several very pretty gifts for her.

SERVICES IN NEWBERG CHURCHES

PRESBYTERIAN

9:45 — Sunday school, with men and women's Bible classes. 11:00 a. m.—Topic, "Justified—What Is It?"

7:30—Topic, "Supper"—a leaflet to be distributed.

Wednesday—Day of prayer for colleges and schools.

BAPTIST

10 a. m.—Bible school, Omar Fendall, superintendent.

11:00—Special service, installation of officers, reception of members, etc.

6:00 p. m.—Junior Union, Miss Stone, leader.

6:30—B. Y. P. U.

7:30 — Evangelistic services, conducted by the pastor.

The special meetings that have been in progress at this church will close tonight. Rev. Davis has preached excellent sermons and has commended himself to the members as a good servant of God. The meetings have attracted attendance, but good interest has been maintained. Several have confessed Christ and others are interested. The theme tonight is "Escape." Hear him.

CHRISTIAN

9:45 a. m.—Bible school.

11:06 a. m.—Theme, "The Second Coming of Christ."

6:30 p. m.—C. E.

7:30 p. m.—Theme, "Self Denial."

LYCEUM NUMBER FRIDAY NIGHT

The Wells Entertainers will give the fourth number in the lyceum course Friday night of this week at Wood-Mar Hall. A varied program will be given, consisting of baritone and soprano solos, vocal duets, story tellings, dramatic sketches, readings, pianologues, humorous and musical sketches.

Reserved seats 50 cents. General admission 35 and 25 cents.

CHARITY BEGINS AT HOME

The Civic and Wednesday Clubs have set aside Wednesday, January 26, from 2 to 5 o'clock, at Commercial Club rooms, for a benefit for the Newberg Associated Charities. Let every lady come and enjoy the program and refreshments. All we ask is 10 cents, if you can't give more. Come and make this the greatest social and charity day in the history of Newberg. Sec.

PROHIBITION ORGANIZED

You are invited to meet the prohibitionists.

There will be a meeting to organize a Prohibition club in Newberg Thursday, January 27, 7:30 p. m., in the Eckerson Hall at First and Edwards streets. All interested in the cause of prohibition come.

By Order of the Committee.

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