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WITH THE CHURCHES

First Christian Science Society.
Christian Science service will be held in the W. O. W. hall at 11 a. m. Sunday, February 21. Subject, "Mind." Wednesday evening meeting at 8 p. m. in the reading room, north hall, opera house block.

Salvation Army.
The Salvation Army Hall, Sunday, February 21, at 11 a. m. 3:30 and 8 p. m. Sundays, meetings will be led by Major J. Faulkner, divisional officer for Oregon. Saturday night there will be a welcome meeting for Mrs. Capt. Lyman.

First Baptist Church.
The pastor preaches at both the morning and evening services at 10:30 and 7:30, respectively, Sunday, February 21st. Morning subject, "Grieving the Spirit;" evening topic, "Indecision." The Bible school meets at 11:45 a. m. under the direction of R. K. Hackett. The Young People's meeting at 6:30 p. m. will be led by Mrs. Lovett; topic, "The Slough of Despond." A cordial welcome awaits you.

St. Luke's Episcopal Church.
Celebration of the holy communion at 8 a. m.

Morning prayer, litany and sermon at 11 a. m. Subject, "The Meaning of Lent."

Evening prayer and sermon at 7:30 p. m. Subject, "Penitence."

Ash Wednesday, February 24—Litany and penitential office at 10:30 a. m.

On Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock will be given the first of the Lenten lectures. Subject, "Baptism."

Meeting of the Young Men's Club in the rectory Wednesday evening, February 24, at 7:45 o'clock. Talk by Dr. F. D. Stricker. Subject, "The Human Body."

Bethany Presbyterian Church.

Services will be held at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The topic for the morning discourse will be "The Master's Rule." In the evening, "Preparing for What Is to Come." Bible school will convene at 10 a. m.

Dr. and Mrs. Horace G. Underwood, missionaries in Korea, are on their return to their field of labor after a furlough and campaign in the Eastern states. They are touching the principal points on the coast before embarking, and as a special favor we are to have them with us on Thursday of next week, Feb. 25th. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock Mrs. Underwood will address the ladies in the parlors of Bethany Church on the wonderful work that is being done in Korea. A cordial invitation is extended not only to the ladies of the Presbyterian but also to those of all the congregations in the city.

Dr. Underwood will address a general meeting in the church in the evening of the same day at 7:45. A general invitation is extended to the public.

Those who have heard these speakers say it is a fascinating story they have to tell. Come and bring your friend, and especially bring the boys and girls.

ANOTHER RICH GOLD STRIKE AT MERLIN

At last a pocket hunter of this district has been able to break into the press dispatches. E. Bradbury on last Monday created a great deal of excitement on our streets by exhibiting 20 ounces of gold nuggets which he had taken out of a pocket 60 Fickett Creek, six miles west of town, and the news was telegraphed to the Portland papers. The exhibition did not excite the old timers here, for they all predicted that the amount that he brought out was all there was in the mountain. But on Friday Mr. Bradbury came in again with 13 ounces more safely sealed in a bottle, and predicted that there was several more bottles full in the hole which he would find before he reached the bottom, they began to sit up and take notice and several of them started out to do likewise. It takes a great deal to excite an old-timer, but the repeated showing of such bunches of gold as this will do the work. Mr. Bradbury has for some time devoted all his efforts to pocket hunting and has found several in the past from which he has been able to support himself and family, and it is hoped that he has now found enough to make him independent for the rest of his days. He has sent for his son to come and assist him in the work of taking out the remainder of the gold which he feels confident is still in the ground. He says the vein is clearly traceable for over 300 feet on the surface, and that it would take a large sum to purchase his chances of a fortune. This district has long been noted for the rich pockets that have been found in its hills, but this is the best find that has been made for many years. There is a large amount of placer ground in this vicinity which has been worthless on account of the lack of water, but when it can be found as rich as this one can afford to carry the water in buckets. The average yield so far has been about \$100 per foot in the shaft—a tolerably fair showing for a district that has been worked out many years ago. It is safe to say that other pockets will now be found in the excitement which will prove equally as valuable.

Annual Meeting of the Rogue River Fruit Exchange.

The Rogue River Fruit Exchange held its regular annual stockholders' room last Saturday. The meeting was called to order by Manager Scoville at 10:30 a. m. After reading the minutes of the secretary the financial report was read, showing the condition of the company. To the surprise of most of the stockholders the earnings of the company, exceeded the expense account by \$72. This was considered rather a remarkable incident considering that it was the business of the first year in the history of the Exchange.

On motion it was agreed to hold monthly meetings in the future. Then came the election of the board of directors as follows: R. Thomas, R. M. Robinson, G. A. Hamilton, H. E. Gale and Will Scoville. During the day many speeches were made and it can be said that the first annual meeting of the Rogue River Fruit Exchange was in every way a success.

Largest Car Woven Wire Fence.

J. D. Franklin, the local representative of Gaddis & Dixon, the Page fence men, has just received the largest shipment of wire fence ever brought to Grants Pass. This car contains 20 miles of fence besides gates and tools, the freight on this one car amounting to over \$800. About 18 miles of this fence was sold when this car arrived to the leading land owners of this valley. Among these purchasers are Messrs. Churchill, Riggs, Fairchild, Turner, Blanchard, Wise, Jordan & Cole, Garves, Gerber, and several other prominent land owners in this vicinity.

This car of fence contains several miles of the famous Page rabbit-proof fence, of which the Page people have sold over 14 miles in this country to the tokay grape growers and orchard men to protect their vines and trees from the ravages of these pests. It is far better to put up an absolutely rabbit-proof fence than to attempt to destroy the rabbits. These Page fences are also stock and coyote proof. The Page fence men furnish a man and tools and assist in the erection of all Page fence without extra cost. These men are experts in their line and are here to assist Mr. Franklin in erecting Page fence over the hills and grounds in this county.

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Application for Grazing Permits.

Notice is hereby given that all applications for permits to graze cattle, horses, and sheep within the SISKIYOU NATIONAL FOREST during the season of 1900, must be filed in my office at Grants Pass, Oregon, on or before March 15, 1900. Full information in regard to the grazing fees to be charged, and blank forms to be used in making application will be furnished upon request. M. J. ANDERSON, Supervisor.

DON'T fail to see the tool display in the Hair-Riddle Hardware Co.'s window.

The Grape Outlook.

Many hundreds of acres and thousands of grape vines of the choicest varieties are now being planted in this part of Rogue river valley. In a few more years grapes will be shipped from Grants Pass during the season in carload lots. We can furnish Chicago, New York and other great Eastern cities with the best varieties of grapes if they can go through direct from this city. Shipping direct to the far East will save the Portland middle man's charges, which will amount to from 14 cents to 17 cents a box. If we are to make grape growing a business we must have the grapes handled by our own fruit exchange and in carload lots. Grapes grown in this valley are sold and will stand shipment. No one need fear the growing of too many of them. The demand for choice grapes for all time to come will be greater than the supply.

Home Grown Tokay Grape Vines.

About 40,000 first-class Tokay grape vines are now on sale by Earl V. Ingles. These are vines that have been rooted from the car load of cuttings shipped in by W. B. Sherman last spring. They are exceptionally good roots, being grown with a limited amount of water. The advantages of planting home grown vines are great. They are thoroughly acclimated, grown on red granite land and can be delivered at any time. They will be dug whenever the buyer wants them and need be out of the ground only a few hours. Any good fruit grower will appreciate the value of going to the nursery rows and getting stock that is fresh. Those wanting these choice vines can now contract with me for delivery at any time. EARL V. INGLES, 1-22-tf Conklin Building.

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MARRIED.

BRADY—JOHNSON—At the Western Hotel, Grants Pass, Ore., February 6, 1900, John T. Brady and Miss Minnie Johnson, Stephen Jewell officiating.

HULL—MANSFIELD—At the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Mansfield, at Fruitdale, Sunday, Feb. 14, 1900, Geo. C. Hull and Miss Pearl C. Mansfield, Stephen Jewell officiating. These young people are well known in this city, both of them residing here for the past several years and have a host of friends here who wish them a bright and prosperous future. The bride is a young lady of estimable character and popular with all who know her. The groom is a young man of sterling worth and ability, and they enter on their wedded life with the hearty good wishes and congratulations of a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

DIED

CLARK—At the home of her daughter, Mrs. Thos. Robinson, at Sucker Creek, on the 12th inst., Martha M. Shattuck, who was born on the 11th of June, 1839, in the state of Vermont, and was married to Andrew B. Clark in 1857, and removed with her husband to California in 1859, where she lived until a few years since, when she came to live with her daughter in Oregon.

SELMA.

Eb Hogue has moved his family to California, hoping to find better country than Webfoot land. It does not exist, so he is doomed to disappointment.

An interesting and successful Literary Society has been started by the young people of Selma. It meets at the school house every Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

Wm. Stock and Frank York have gone to Silver Creek to engage in mining.

Robert Hiatt and Earl York have gone down the Illinois river to trap. D. H. Hanscom has gone to Gallego Creek to work.

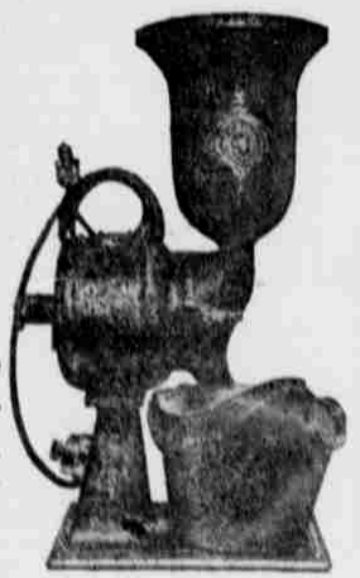
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R. C. Churchill's family have been ill, but we are glad to report them out again.

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