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## Jots and Tittles

Short Stories of Happenings in Linn County Generally and in Halsey Particularly

Basements in South Brawnsville were flooded Sunday and water was a foot deep in part of Main street.

The new books at the Brownsville free library are popular. We have some popular ones here, too.

Mrs. Kate McBride of Albany came to spend Thanksgiving with her sister, Mrs. J. M. Porter.

Ed Russel has found limestone on his farm near Sweet Home which the O. A. C. is testing to see if it will be available as a source of lime for farmers thereabouts.

Abbut 275 Linn county teachers participated in the institute at Albany this week.

A. R. McCoy, 71 years old, died at Albany Sunday. His father, John McCoy, was Linn's first county judge.

Had transportation not been crippled by the storm a carload of dairy cattle was to have been shipped from Albany Tuesday for Crook county and would have been the fifteenth carload to go to eastern Oregon and eastern Washington from this county since September. Four of these went to Washington.

The Oregonian of Nov. 21, 1871, said: "Workmen commenced yesterday to drive the piles for the foundation of Halsey's hotel at the corner of F and First streets." The postoffice stands on the property. This may be late news, but we think it will be of interest.

S. G. Robertson, father of the carrier on rural delivery route 1, slipped and fell in front of the Enterprise office Monday morning and broke a hip. He was placed in a chair and carried to a car which took him to his son's home, where he is being cared for. The old gentleman is 83 years old and a civil war veteran.

The Oregon Tuberculosis association will conduct its fourteenth annual Christmas seal sale in December. Last year the sale thru-out the state amounted to approximately \$38,000. In 1919 Oregon stood 15th; in 1920 she stood 12th in seal sale returns. This year the association officers hope that Oregon will stand first. The agents in Linn county are: Lebanon, Mrs. Hallie Cormier, Woman's club; Halsey, Mrs. Edith Robnett; Harrisburg, Mrs. R. W. Kessel; Scio, Prof. H. F. Tobie.

Ralph Bierley left for Harrisburg, his home, Saturday morning.

J. J. Corcoran took in the football game at Eugene Saturday.

Many traveled from here to Eugene Saturday in their own conveyances.

G. W. Shaw of this place left on Saturday's train for John Day, Ore., in answer to a telegram that his sister was seriously ill.

Mrs. Dick Landon of Brownsville, accompanied by Mrs. E. L. Peever of Albany, who has been visiting Mrs. Landon, left for Albany Saturday.

A shower of garments was given for Mrs. Pittman last Wednesday by the ladies of the missionary society of the Christian church, at the home of Mrs. True.

Mrs. E. Schantz of Silverton was an arrival Saturday morning, and went to Brownsville in the car of her father, S. E. Cole of that place, to remain over Thanksgiving.

Mrs. F. W. Falk left for Portland Saturday morning to visit her mother, who is ill at that place, having recently undergone an operation for cancer which proved unsatisfactory.

Mrs. Kate McBride of Portland arrived last Friday, accompanying Mrs. M. V. Koontz of this city, who had met her in Albany. Mrs. McBride intended to visit here for some time.

Mrs. R. A. Hawkes, who came from Portland several weeks ago to care for Mrs. Kneeland, sister of Mr. Russ, who had been ill with pleurisy since early in October, left for home in Portland Tuesday, taking with her Mrs. Kneeland, who will visit cousins and aunts until she recovers her health again. One of the aunts she will visit is about 80 years of age and is blind.

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## Thanksgiving

WE are thankful for a dim hope for world peace  
We are thankful that our country is at peace  
That she champions world peace  
That we dwell in a land of plenty  
That brotherly love dwells among the people of this community and they are kind and forbearing to one another and to strangers who come among them  
That patrons and friends have arisen among them and given us support and encouragement during our sojourn here.  
May peace be with them evermore!

THREE hundred years ago this fall Governor Bradford of Plymouth colony sent men into the woods to hunt birds for a feast of thanksgiving and prayer in gratitude for a successful harvest on that "stern and rock-bound coast," where

Amid the storm they sang,  
And the stars heard, and the sea,  
And the sounding aisles of the dim wood rang  
With the anthems of the free.

This was ten years before the sour-faced puritans came, with their doctrine that all pleasure was sinful and that whoever did not believe as they did must be made to suffer.

The royal bird at that feast was the wild turkey, and, tamed, he has been the thanksgiving bird ever since. He likes to roost high, and in late years it takes a purse longer than the pilgrim hunter's blunderbuss to land him. A fat Plymouth rock cockerel comes near enough to the Plymouth ideal to satisfy the most of us.

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### Close to Death

Wednesday while workmen were repairing damage done by the storm to the telephone wires a pole at the corner of C and Third streets sagged and crossed the high power line of the Mountain States Power company and the telephone wire. Clive Stafford, who was at the switchboard in the telephone office, received the current through the telephone headgear he was wearing and sank down paralyzed and would have been electrocuted, in a few moments had not a crackling sound attracted the attention of Mrs. Stafford, who, taking a look

to learn the cause, saw fire flying from her husband's head.

She quickly sprang to him and, luckily, had the presence of mind to grab an insulated wire and jerk it away, severing the connection. Had she touched Stafford first they would have both been killed.

Clive soon regained sufficiently to assure her: "I'm all right." He received severe burns on the side of his head and one hand.

The power current was shut off at Albany for a few minutes and George Hayes cut the power wire involved and soon all was clear to that street, but west of there lights and phones will be out till repairs are made.

## Worst in 30 Years

Oregon and Washington Far From Being Dry States  
"Silver Thaw" Smashes Things in Portland

When 17,000 people got soaked (literally) at the ball game at Eugene Saturday they did not know that the barrage from the sky had only begun and that Sunday was to be in most respects the wettest day in thirty years, if not in the history of Oregon, but such was the case.

Rain poured in western Oregon, while in and east of the Cascades the moisture came down in the form of snow which stalled railroad trains on the tracks and caused dozens of automobiles to be abandoned by people returning to Portland from jaunts eastward or vice versa.

At Portland the weather was colder than in most of western Oregon and the water turned to a coat of ice on every exposed surface, producing a "silver thaw." Telephone and telegraph wires were brought down by the accumulating ice and 11,000 telephones in the city were put out of use. Trees and shrubbery in the city to the value of many thousands of dollars were broken down in the same way.

Portland appropriated \$5000 for the relief of sufferers by the storm.

Washouts and floods stopped traffic in the northern Willamette valley on rail and other roads, throwing all train schedules into confusion, but from the northern part of this county southward the Southern Pacific kept trains running.

Much territory was flooded. At Dever Fred Crowell and his wife, sister and daughter awoke with a foot of water in

the house. They started for the nearest house but could not reach it and climbed a tree. There they stayed 30 hours, clad in their night garments, before they were rescued.

Fred Curl of Jefferson, aged 18, perished in the flood.

A couple of small buildings were swept away and many basements flooded at Lebanon.

Dean Tyner started from Brownsville for Halsey in his taxi but was halted by a deep soft place in the road. Along came Will Kirk from Halsey with a lady passenger for Brownsville. Wearing wading boots he investigated. The passenger was transferred to Tyner's car and both vehicles took their own back tracks.

Mrs. Clara Swearingen, living on the Brownsville-Halsey road, wrote on Sunday that there was the highest water in thirty years in her part of the country and "all over the road."

Sunday notes: Eugene, much land under water; McKenzie pass blocked with snow.

Tillamook, streams out of banks. Hillsboro, lowlands flooded.

Ashland, first snow of season.

Pendleton, \$50,000 damage by snow.

La Grande, over two feet of snow.

Baker, four inches of snow.

Moro, three feet of snow.

Halsey, rather wet.

Christine Nilsson died in Copenhagen Tuesday.

**Church Announcements**

**Methodist:**  
Sunday School, 10.  
Preaching, 11.  
Junior League, 8.  
Intermediate League, 6:30.  
Epworth League, 6:30.  
Preaching, 7:30.  
Prayer meeting, Thursday, 8.  
Rev. C. T. Cook, Pastor.

**Christian:**  
Sunday School, 10.  
Preaching, 11.  
Eudeavor, 6:30.  
Preaching, 7:30.  
Lester Jones, Minister.



Halsey Christian Church  
**Sunday School Lesson**  
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**LESSON FOR NOVEMBER 27**  
**PAUL'S VOYAGE AND SHIPWRECK**  
LESSON TEXT—Acts 27:1-44.  
GOLDEN TEXT—I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.—II Tim. 1:12.  
REFERENCE MATERIAL—II Cor. 11:23; Phil. 4:12, 13.  
PRIMARY TOPIC—The Story of a Shipwreck.  
JUNIOR TOPIC—Paul in a Shipwreck.  
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Storm and Shipwreck.  
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Paul's Power Over Men.

**I. A Stormy Voyage (vv. 1-20).**  
1. The ship. A ship of Alexandria sailing from Myra to Italy.  
2. The company. Two of Paul's friends, Aristarchus and Luke, are permitted to go with him. Besides these three there were 273 in the ship (v. 7).  
3. The storm. The ship made little headway on account of unfavorable winds. Paul advised that they winter in Fair Havens (vv. 9-12), but his advice was unheeded. The gentle south wind deceived them, so they loosed from Crete, only to be soon overtaken by the tempestuous wind, called Euroclydon. They did everything possible to save the ship. They took up the boat which was towed behind; they bound great cables around the ship to strengthen it for the storm; they lightened the ship by bringing down from the masts and rigging everything that was superfluous; and finally, the cargo and tackling of the ship itself were thrown overboard. All

this seemed to be of no avail, so that all hope of being saved was removed. It seemed that wicked men and material forces were combined to prevent the great apostle from reaching Rome. However, this is only apparent, for these very experiences were overruled by God to bring good cheer and salvation to many on the way. We should remember that tempestuous winds, as well as the soft breezes, await God's faithful ones. The presence of storms does not prove that we are going the wrong way.

**II. Paul's Serene Faith (vv. 21-26).**  
To a man who did not know God, the failure of the sun and stars to shine for many days, the fading of all hope, was natural; but to the man of faith, hope still burns brightly. God is just as near to His own in the midst of a stormy sea as in their quiet homes. Note Paul's behavior:

1. His rebuke for their failure to heed his advice at Fair Havens (v. 21). This was not a mere taunt, but a reference to the wisdom of his former advice urging them to give him a more respectable hearing.  
2. Bids them be of good cheer (v. 22). He inspired them with hope.  
3. He promises them safety (v. 22). Though the ship would go to pieces, every man's life would be saved.  
4. The source of his information (vv. 23, 24). The angel of God had revealed it unto him.  
5. The reason of Paul's calm faith (v. 23). "Whose I am and whom I serve."

**III. The Ship's Crew All Safe on Land (vv. 27-44).**

This was exactly as the Lord had said. We can rest assured that all God has spoken shall come to pass, even though there be a perilsous crew, brutal soldiers and a perilsous crew. Aside from the fulfillment of God's promise, the most important part of this section is the splendid sanity which characterizes Paul's action on the way. Two things especially mark his sanctified common sense.

1. His vigilance had detected that the sailors had planned to escape. He knew how much they would be needed presently, and at once took steps to prevent their escape. He went straight to the man in charge and said, "Except these abide in the ship, ye cannot be saved." He practiced the truth that genuine reliance upon God is the all-powerful incentive to human action. God's decrees always include the means for their accomplishment.  
2. He knew that the famishing condition of the people was not the most favorable for the physical struggle which was soon to be undergone by them when they must struggle through the water to the shore. So he gets them to take a substantial breakfast. He had the good sense to look after that which was necessary. It was no time to talk to these men about their souls, for their bodies needed the main attention. His prayer for that meal had more effect upon the people than his preaching would have had. Let us learn from this the divine method of administration, namely, God overruling while man trusts Him and acts. A vigorous faith manifests itself in reasonable action.

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