

OUR GOLDEN WEDDING DAY

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(The following poem was written by Elder R. D. Benham of Cornelius on the occasion of the celebration of the Golden Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Benham at that place on Christmas day.)

We've walked together these fifty years,
Wife and I;
We've shared their joys, their toils and tears,
My wife and I;
We've seen the sunshine mild and warm,
We've felt the beating of the storms,
Their gloomy eves and smiling morns,
My wife and I, my wife and I.
We've climbed the sunny slopes of life,
Wife and I;
Together braved the world's rude strife,
My wife and I;
Our path all strewn with roses been,
Because we've shunned the paths of sin,
The narrow way to walk within,
Wife and I, my wife and I.
We'll soon be closing life's brief day,
Wife and I;
We've plucked sweet flowers all the way,
My wife and I;
And now our sun is sinking low.
Our eves are dim, our steps are slow,
But still we're singing as we go,
Wife and I, my wife and I.
Our humble prayer has ever been,
Wife and I;
Help us to love our fellowmen,
My wife and I;
For fifty years we've sought for Thee,
Wife and I;
We've tried, dear Lord, to walk with Thee,
In all our plans we've talked with Thee,
Wife and I, my wife and I.
And now, dear Lord, our voices raise,
Wife and I;
To Thee in humble, grateful praise,
My wife and I;
And hence that soon our feet shall stand
Upon that happy golden strand
With Jesus in that better land,
Wife and I, my wife and I.

Elmer Stipe is taking a fifteen day course in tractor management in Portland and will soon be able to give the tractor owners of this vicinity able assistance when the tractor balks.

Calling cards at the Times office.

AMERICAN FUEL PRODUCTION INCREASED IN 1918

Foreign Production of Coal Far Short of Normal and Many Countries Will Shiver.

Coal production in the United States during 1918 showed an increase of 34,000,000 tons over 1917, according to estimates furnished by the United States Fuel Administration to Fuel Administrator Fred J. Holmes of Portland. The increase was on bituminous coal, anthracite showing a slight decrease.

Production in 1918 was more than sufficient to meet the demands of the country.

Production of coke during 1918 is estimated at 56,670,000 net tons, or an increase of three per cent over 1917. The increase is in by-product coke production, beehive coke having decreased eight per cent in production during the year.

In comparison, no European country has enough coal. In Italy and Switzerland the privations felt by its lack are acute, and in general the question of how the various peoples will react is a sober one. Italy has no coal for household heating and gas for cooking is limited to four hours a day.

Pamphlets containing instructions on how to burn soft coal in the home are available at the office of Fuel Administrator Fred J. Holmes, 1337 Northwestern Bank Building, Portland.

Keep the home warm with less fuel by observing efficiency methods of firing.

All restrictions on shipments of anthracite egg size coal have been removed by the anthracite committee of the United States Fuel Administration and this grade of coal may now be obtained freely for consumption anywhere throughout the country. Anthracite has been barred from Oregon since last spring.

New keg dill pickles on tap at Brauer's store. 3-4*

VALENTINE--MERLO.

Miss Louise Merlo, formerly of Beaverton, and Corporal Albert Valentine of Berkeley, Cal., were married Saturday evening at St. Charles' Church in Portland by Father O'Flynn. Miss Eva Merlo acted as bridesmaid and Peter Guiso was best man. Many invited guests were present.

The bride is a niece of Mr. and Mrs. J. Merlo of this city and formerly made her home with them here. She was a pupil of Father O'Flynn at St. Cecilia's. Mr. and Mrs. Valentine were in Beaverton Sunday and Mon-

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day forenoon and were entertained by friends and relatives here. They left Monday afternoon for Berkeley where they will make their home.

Thos. E. Parker returned to Beaverton from Astoria Sunday. Mr. Parker has been in the employ of the shipbuilders at the mouth of the Columbia for the better part of the year, but now that the war is over he yields to the desire to be nearer home and will seek employment here. He says that the cost of living has mounted upward by leaps and bounds at the seaboard town and that the big wages received have come to mean but little to the laboring man who must pay his board and room rent out of his weekly earnings.

OAK WOOD for sale. G. H. Wolf. 2-4*

Mrs. D. C. Fisher has had her house raised and new underpinning and supports put underneath it.

Now that school is closed, it is imperative that all persons avoid crowds and that children be kept strictly within their own yards for their own protection and that the necessity of closing the town may be removed as soon as possible. Closing the school is an expensive and unfortunate event but it has seemed necessary in this case and in order that it may prove effective all persons should cooperate to the fullest extent.

The danger to the community is a real one and must be met in all seriousness.

LOST—Double block on the road south of town. Finder please leave at Times office. 2

LOST — White wool mitten. Erma Nelson.

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