

THE CONDON CLOBE.

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NOTICE.

The yearly subscription to the CLOBE is \$1.50, if paid in advance. If not paid in advance, \$2 will be charged. A blue pencil mark around this notice indicates that your subscription expires with this issue. Please renew promptly.

CLOESITIES.

Ed Trimble has been herding sheep near Mountain Home, Idaho, all winter.

E. P. Weir of Mayville shipped two car loads of fine hogs to Portland last week.

We learn that Bill Stephens is at Pendleton conducting a small confectionery stand.

The weather has been very cold all week, with about four inches of the "beautiful" on the ground.

Dunn Bros. have a fine stock of holiday goods, suitable for Christmas presents. Call and examine them.

J. H. Downing, wife and two daughters have taken rooms at Mrs. Gray's on Benton street.—Santa Clara Journal.

R. M. Johnson, of Lone Rock, was in town Wednesday on business. He attended a meeting of the K. of P. lodge here Tuesday night.

Hon. W. W. Steiwer of Fossil went to Arlington the first of the week to attend a meeting of the directors of the Arlington National Bank.

The New York Sun recommends Senator John H. Mitchell, of Oregon, as the republican nominee for president. The Globe seconds the nomination.

The republican national convention will meet in St. Louis, June 16th. San Francisco had 20 votes, lacking 8 of having a sufficient number to elect.

Learn that several of the boys in this county have invested in marriage licenses and expect to desert the ranks of single cussedness during the holidays.

We learn that John Harvey, whose term in the Walla Walla penitentiary expired a short time ago, is now herding sheep across the river, in Sherman county.

Mr. Coleman Welsh, of Fossil, and his little daughter visited relatives at Arlington the first of this week, stopping in Condon long enough to subscribe for the CLOBE.

Supt. Kennedy was in town last week, on his rounds visiting the schools. The rough weather has caused him to postpone his intended visit to the north end of the county at present.

Next Wednesday is Christmas. Nothing special is advertised to take place here on that day. Several of our people are thinking of taking in the festivities at Fossil and Lone Rock.

O. S. Propst, a young man from the Palouse country, arrived here last week and is visiting his cousin Howard. He will remain here this winter and probably locate in the spring.

The postoffice department has ordered the discontinuation of the postoffice at Ajax, this county. Mail intended for Ajax hereafter will be sent to Condon. The change took effect December 6.

The report that the Condon Brass Band had already engaged an instructor is without foundation. At present our secretary is in communication with several teachers, but no one has been engaged yet.

Tomorrow, 21st, will be the shortest day in the year. In this latitude the sun will rise at 7:35 and set at 4:23. This leaves the day just 8 hours and 48 minutes long, and the night 15 hours and 12 minutes long.

W. W. McMillen, a tramp printer, passed through town this week, bound for Mitchell, where he hoped to secure employment on the Monitor. He is a brother of the McMillen who formerly published the Wasco Observer.

C. O. Downing, a brother of Miss Mattie Downing, formerly of Condon, has just been convicted of embezzling about \$2500 while county clerk of Spokane county, Wash., and was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary.

Jeff Hayes and his mother were over from Lone Rock Saturday on land business. Mrs. Hayes filed on a homestead, and while here they also perfected their purchase of the timber culture which they recently bought of Gene Smith.

There will be no school here next week, during the holidays. The principal, Mr. Morey, is contemplating a trip to Spokane, to visit his family during his vacation. Miss Ina Gorton, his niece, expects to spend the holidays at her home near Douglas station.

Charley Wilson made a trip to Portland this week. The boys say it was for the purpose of buying a housekeeping outfit, with a view of committing matrimony soon. As he has already rented a house here, the chances are that there's something in it—or will be soon.

Burglars blew open W. Bolton & Co's safe at Antelope Sunday night, Dec. 8th, and took all the money there was in it and all that was in the tills of the store, amounting in all to about \$800. Suspicious characters there have been arrested, with what result we have not learned.

We were treated this week by Rev. U. S. Drake to a perusal of two copies of the Somerset (Pa.) Whig, one dated April and the other February, 1865. Both are full of thrilling war news and one contains a detailed account of the assassination of President Lincoln, all of which makes interesting reading, even at this late day.

For burning 80 tons of Phil Brogan's hay, Tom Lewis was sentenced by Judge Bradshaw to 3 years in the penitentiary. Lee Gitt, who murdered another Chinaman at The Dalles last summer was sentenced to life imprisonment and the other heathen to 5 years for complicity in the crime.

We learn from the Goldenale papers that Miss Bird-Downing resigned the position as principal of that school, on Dec. 8th, and that W. H. Hodson was appointed her successor. Miss Downing is now taking lessons in crayon work and painting at The Dalles and will come to Condon some time next month.

Johnny McAllister, the energetic little Scotch sheepman, was in town the first of the week from his range on the John Day river, near Croy. He dissolved partnership with his brother Charley last fall and is now "going it on his own hook." Among other business, Mr. McAllister invested in \$1.50 worth of CLOBE.

Rev. Drake will deliver a lecture at 2 o'clock this Friday afternoon at the school house to the scholars and all who wish to hear him, on the Johnstown flood. Mr. Drake was well acquainted at Johnston before and after the great flood, in which over 10,000 people lost their lives, and his remarks upon that subject cannot help but be of intense interest to all who hear him.

The Ladies Aid Society fair held in the hall here Friday night was a decided success, socially and financially. A very large crowd was out and all pronounced it the most delightful affair of the kind they ever attended. The proceeds of the evening amounted to \$41.80. The total expense of getting it up was \$16, leaving \$25.80 net proceeds. An interesting musical and literary program was rendered.

A few weeks ago while hunting on the John Day river, above the mouth of Hay creek, Marion Lamberson, Will Meek and Oscar Maley found a human skull on the shore. They brought it to town and Dr. Hogan pronounced it the skull of a white man. No doubt it is the remains of one of the several victims of the John Day river near Contenton about two years ago, the bodies of whom had never been found.

Atty. S. A. D. Gurley of Arlington left today for Portland, to appear as chief counsel in the U. S. circuit court for E. Seekamp, in the case of the defunct 1st Nat'l bank vs. E. Seekamp. As there is no higher trial court in the United States than this, Mr. Gurley may well be congratulated upon his ability to appear in that court. We are informed that Mr. Gurley is the only attorney in Gilliam county who, besides his practice in the courts of Oregon, has a practice in the courts of Washington and the U. S. courts.

We received a letter this week from Charley Rinehart, of Mountain Home, Idaho, which confirms his former statement concerning the elopement of G. W. Strong of Mitchell. He says: "I have just received a letter from the city officials of Mitchell, saying it is true that Geo. Strong eloped with the wife of one of the business men of that place, on July 20th, and that she had no divorce from her husband, and that she has never married Strong. She was the wife of Mitchell's druggist and her maiden name was Mansfield. She is now working for Strong's board at Three Creek, Idaho, so I am informed by parties just from there."

About the 28th of last month, Zed Harvey borrowed Lyman Brown's saddle at Fossil, to use it a day or two, so Mr. Brown says. After waiting several weeks he concluded that Harvey had no intention of returning the saddle and he had a warrant sworn out for his arrest, on a charge of larceny by bailee. Sheriff Wilcox found Harvey Saturday at the home of A. Lamberson in Ferry Canyon and made the arrest, taking him to Fossil next day. He had his examination before Justice Donaldson Monday, who also concluded that Harvey was guilty and imposed a fine upon him of \$25 or 30 days in the county jail. Being "short" that amount, Zed is boarding out his fine at the rate of 83 1/2 cts a day—which, by the way, is not quite as easy a layout as provided by our statute, which allows \$2 a day. Perhaps the statute can stand a little revision, anyway, in that direction.

A Model School.

We visited our public school one day last week and was agreeably surprised to find everything in both departments in such perfect working order. We feel satisfied that there isn't a school of its size in the state that is managed with more care and ability than this, and very few as well. All of the many rules and regulations are complied with with the promptness and regularity of clock work. Among the thousand and one things the teachers have for use in the school, not usually found in country schools, we noticed a clock, thermometer, flowers, samples of almost every article necessary for the preservation of human life, maps and globes of every description, encyclopedias, about 60 cigar boxes filled with clippings of all noted authors and great men, and references upon every subject, all of which are used in infusing descriptive knowledge into the minds of the pupils. The principal, C. G. Morey, and Mrs. E. L. Taylor, of the primary department, are untiring in their effort to make the school a success, and they are succeeding admirably, we are pleased to say. They make the school room so pleasant and enticing that none of the pupils prefer staying away, and the result is shown in the rapid progress of all of them.

An Escaped Jail Bird.

Bill Smith, who was confined in the county jail awaiting the action of the grand jury, on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses, made his escape Monday evening about 6 o'clock and has not been recaptured yet.

Sheriff Wilcox was at Fossil at the time, and had Gene Smith engaged to feed the prisoner. When Gene took his supper to the jail at about 7 o'clock he found the outside door of the corridor standing open at the hinge side and the prisoner gone. He had taken off the 8 taps from the large iron hinges from the inside of the door, and in order to push the door open he sawed or cut about a dozen nails that held it to its place by a board. How he got hold of tools to do the work is a mystery, as it does not seem possible that he could have taken off the taps with his hands, or cut the nails without a chisel or saw. Every night he was locked in the large steel cell, but during daylight he was permitted to occupy the corridor, so that he could attend to the fire in the stove, which is in the corridor.

Tom Johnson, Gene Smith, Frank Caldwell and Bill Thurnagle started out at once on the hunt for the fugitive and scoured the whole county, but not the least trace of him has been found. Sheriff Wilcox offers a reward of \$50 for Smith's capture.

Arlington Items.

No school until after the holidays.

Mrs. R. R. Hankins is on the sick list this week.

C. W. Shurte is on the retired list, nursing a case of rheumatism.

T. W. Compton is the happy father of a fine son, which arrived a few days ago.

Rev. Bramblet's meetings continue to be well attended. Miss Pearl Wood is organist in his church.

Gene Smith of Condon was in town the fore part of the week on the lookout for Bill Smith, the escaped prisoner.

Arlington is becoming a lively place. Friday night we had Baptist and Methodist services, K. O. T. M. meeting and a dance.

Mrs. Green of North Yakima, wife of our Methodist minister, died Thursday. Her husband was apprised by telegraph of her fatal sickness but she died before he could reach her bedside.

F. C. Hindle, Ross Beardsley and several others were out to Shuttler Flat Thursday goose hunting, but returned home gooseless, the cold weather having driven the geese to the land of Dixie.

R. H. Robinson found a Winchester shotgun in the Columbia a few days ago. The low water in the river revealed the gun, which had been under water for some time. Bob gave it a thorough cleaning up and reports that it is "all right." It is supposed to have been the property of Bob Watkins, who lost it last fall while "raiding" with his canoe—although he claimed to have sold it.

Wesley Frum, of this place, aged 22 years, died Monday evening, after a very brief illness with appendicitis. The funeral was held Tuesday, under the auspices of the Woodmen of the World lodge, of which the deceased was an honored member. Revs. Warner and Bramblet conducted the funeral services in the church. The W. O. W. marched in a body to the cemetery and conducted the exercises there. One of the most beautiful, impressive and emblematical features of the exercises at the grave was the lowering of a white dove into the grave and then its flight upward and away. The funeral was largely attended.

Andy Carothers of Rock creek shipped 200 hogs to Portland this week.

Rev. Warner of Goldenale is conducting the M. E. revival here with good success.

George McKay shipped three car loads of beef cattle to the Union stock yards at Portland the first of the week.

Bill Smith must be crazy to run away at this time of the year—with free board and lodging guaranteed for nearly four months.

Dr. Bacon, of La Grande, was called to this place last Monday to consult with Dr. Geisendorfer in the case of Wesley Frum. Dr. Logan of The Dalles was called also.

Last Saturday there was two revivals and one dance running, giving a person a two to one chance to get on the right road, but I don't know whether they got there in that proportion or not.

Harry Clay has a 6-horse team hauling out from here to his place, which he feeds to his mutton sheep which he is getting ready for market. He hauls 3 tons at a load and makes two trips a week.

Andy and Paul Greiner of Mayville and some others from that section brought in sixteen loads of hogs and shipped them to the Portland market a few days ago, showing that Gilliam county can produce hogs by the thousands if there is a market guaranteed for them.

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Mayville Mutterings.

E. P. Weir made a business trip to Portland last Thursday, returning Tuesday.

Mrs. E. A. Stinefield is visiting her son, Geo. Rippey and family in Condon this week.

Rev. Lawson has been holding a lively revival at Buckhorn the past ten days.

Tommy Livingston is one of the ribbon handlers on the Arlington-Fossil stage again.

G. W. Rinehart of Condon visited relatives in this section Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. Sadie Robinson of Arlington is visiting relatives and friends here. She will not return home until after the holidays.

A good, old-fashioned house-warming was given at J. M. Curly's place on Beecher Flat Friday evening, and every one present had an enjoyable time.

Budd Dyer, the 10-year-old son of W. F. Dyer of Mayville, met with a very painful accident a few days ago. He was riding a horse and leading a dog by a rope, which was looped around one of his thumbs. The horse became frightened and ran around a post, catching the boy's thumb between the rope and saddle-horn, cutting it almost off at the first joint. Dr. Howard found it necessary to amputate the thumb.

F. B. Golden left Monday to spend the holidays with relatives and friends in Linn and Lane counties. He has a sister living near Creswell and two sisters and one brother living near Junction City, whom he had not seen for seven years. Frank came from Nebraska to Lane county in '71 and resided there until '81, when he moved with his family to his present home near Mayville. His many friends here wish him a pleasant visit.

El and Frank McConnell and their sister Maggie, sons and daughter of Al McConnell, of Mayville, left Tuesday for their former home in Kansas, where they expect to stay. The boys will take charge of a farm owned by a lawyer, who raised Miss McConnell from childhood. A pleasant surprise party was tendered these young people on Monday evening by a large number of their friends. Their father took them to Arlington by private conveyance. Their postoffice address in Kansas is Sylvan Grove. I. D. C.

Lone Rock Riplets.

Mrs. Knox commenced teaching a private school here last Monday.

Grandma Brown has been very sick the past week, but is some better at present.

Ralph May and Tom Coleman had quite a heated debate here Monday about some settlement. Tom "fanned Ralph a diff on the jaw," and the settlement went by default.

Lone Rock is going to celebrate Christmas with a regular old-fashioned Christmas tree. Everybody is invited to come and help make the children happy. Any one having presents to put on the tree can leave them at Ham's store, and the decorating committee will attend to the rest.

Wineland's dance hall was "dedicated" Saturday and Monday nights by The Zeina comic dog show. While the dogs were performing in the hall some of our town boys had a little side show out in the street in the way of upsetting the show people's wagon. The boys are spotted who do this kind of work and their tricks are becoming pretty stale.

Last Sunday evening while Rev. Barnhart was delivering one of his excellent sermons some young men and one young woman (shame to them) conducted themselves in such a shameful manner that the preacher was obliged to reprimand them. As is usually the case, after services were over a big bully was going to lick the parson, but the parson had plenty of backers and the big bully narrowly escaped getting split open with a jackknife. Shame on the people who allow such conduct to go unpunished, is the remarks heard from every quarter.

When in Fossil go to Chas. G. Millet's for Xmas goods, also candies, cigars, tobaccos, etc.

Notice.

There will be held a regular meeting of The Condon Stockmen's Protective Union at Condon on Saturday, Dec. 21, 1895. L. W. DARLING, Sec.

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