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Hospital for Condon.

Two sisters, of the independent order of Sisters of Mercy, of Beaverton, were here over Sunday looking at the town with a view to establishing a hospital here. The sisters were well pleased with the town and surroundings and it is more than probable that they will undertake the project. If they do so the sisters will dispose of their property at Beaverton and the entire community will come to Condon. A fine block of ground on the west side of town which was purchased by Judge Dunn several years ago for this purpose will be donated to the order and in addition to this the sisters will ask the citizens of this section of the country to raise about \$3000 as a nucleus for the work. A substantial brick building will be erected two and one-half stories high to cost complete about \$10,000 and the institution will be made strictly modern and first-class in every respect. Such an institution is much needed here and will be a great help to the town in many ways. It is probable the same order will also establish a good school here as soon as the hospital is in operation. The sisters returned to Portland Monday and after a conference with the bishop they will definitely decide on the matter and will at once notify Judge Dunn so the work of raising funds here may be commenced at once.

Seats Were at a Premium.

Ninety-five tickets were sold at the local station last Monday morning, 72 of which were for Portland, the remainder being for Arlington and other points. An extra combination coach was brought out Saturday evening to help carry the passengers, but the combined seating capacity of the two coaches was for only 72 people. Condon people feel that they are not being given the service on the new road which the amount of passenger traffic demands and many "kicks" were heard as the travelers packed themselves away as best they could. It is true that the western roads are all taxed to their utmost capacity and beyond it in many cases to accommodate the extra heavy travel incident to the Portland Fair but Condon people will expect a better service at as early a date as the company can possibly furnish it. The branch line demands an extra heavy rate for carrying passengers and freight and the public expects at least ordinary accommodations for what they pay for.

Narrowly Escaped Death.

Mrs. C. L. Little, of Mayville precinct, had a narrow escape from death or serious injury last Sunday while returning from a visit to a neighbor. She was driving in a hack and after alighting to open a gate she attempted to re-enter the rig when the team started throwing her between the wheel and the hack bed, in which position she was dragged for almost a quarter of a mile. She finally managed to free herself from her perilous position and, luckily, escaped with only severe cuts and bruises. The team ran home and her son at once drove back and assisted his mother home.

Sunday's Dust Storm.

The dust storm which swept over Condon last Sunday afternoon was the worst storm of the kind which has been witnessed in this county for years. The storm came directly from the west and

the dense clouds of dust which came with the wind shrouded the town and surrounding country in a semi-darkness which was literally of that quality which could be felt. No great damage was done by the storm in this section beyond the wrecking of a few signs and out houses and the houses were pretty thoroughly filled with dust. Reports from other places tell of a heavier storm and more damage. At Pendleton and other points along the Columbia river the wind was much stronger than here and the damage was greater.

Going to the Fair.

Condon people turned out en masse Monday morning to take advantage of the excursion rates to the Portland Fair. Nearly 100 of our people went out that morning and Condon will be well represented at the big show all week. Among the passengers from Condon and vicinity who were noted at the train by a Globe reporter were the following:

W. L. Barker and family, Miss Hazel Fitzwater, Miss Bertha Trimble, J. A. McMorris and family, T. L. Price and family, Mrs. A. J. Shelton and little son, Miss Iva Shelton, P. P. Jarvis, Mrs. Mary Young, Mr. Hanley, George Stevenson, Jim Stevenson Jr., Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Downing, Miss Catherine Greiner, Mrs. Cleveland, Len Searcy, E. C. Rogers, Miss H. Irene Johnston, J. D. Burns and many others.

John Hire is building a new house on his lots in Lord's addition.

Senator Bowerman returned Saturday evening from a short business trip to Portland. He was accompanied on the homeward trip by Mrs. Bowerman who has been spending some time at Portland and the Coast.

Mark Portwood is playing the role of Cupid at the court house this week and started in right by making a couple happy early Monday morning. The aspirants for matrimony were Rufus Redmond and Estella Gillette, both of Olex.

A man got hot over a small fire the other day. He had bought a heating stove of Hunt, the Hardware Man, and it took only a little fuel to heat him up—physically, not mentally. Moral: If you would keep your head cool and your feet warm, buy a heating stove of Hunt, the Hardware man.

Miss Florence Heavren, of Vancouver, Washington, a niece of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Snover, of this city, is a prominent candidate in the Oregon Journal voting contest for the Hawaiian trip. Miss Heavren visited here for several months a year or so ago and has many warm friends in this city who will join in wishing her success in the final outcome of the contest.

Condon is so filled with good looking strangers these days that old timers hardly know themselves or each other. Condon is not booming; but it is the best town in Oregon for business in a general way, and the way big, substantial buildings are going up is a caution. Also; new business firms are getting to the front almost every day and every man who is working or selling goods or loaning money or harvesting wheat or even standing around and watching other people work, has a smile on his face a yard long. "If anybody asks you," just tell them that Condon is all right and getting better every day.

Death of Meriwether Lewis.

One of the most famous episodes of the "Natchez Trace" is thus described by John Swain in the September Everybody's:

"A century ago there was no more promising youth in America than Meriwether Lewis. After a brilliant career as a soldier, he had been appointed private secretary to President Jefferson, and had shown himself so trustworthy, so energetic, so resourceful that when Jefferson determined to make an exploration of the great territory he was just purchasing he selected Lewis as the one to accomplish it.

"Six years later, in 1809, his brilliant feat accomplished—he was even then but 35 years old—Lewis left his beloved west for the last time and set out for Washington to confer with the president. He crossed the Mississippi at the Chickasaw Bluffs, where Memphis now stands and, taking Indian trails south-easterly, struck the Trace at the crossing of the Tennessee river, in Lauderdale county, Alabama. He came alone, on the night of October 11, to the 'stand' or tavern of Robert Grinder above the crossing of Little Swan, 72 miles from Nashville. A heavy storm was raging. In the night the women in an adjoining building heard a shot. In the morning Lewis was found dying, a pistol beside him.

"Grinder circulated the report that Lewis had shot himself, and the explorer was buried beside the road close to the tavern. At Washington then, and by many historians since, Grinder's story has been believed; but by the settlers of that vicinity and by the women who lived at Grinder's, only one opinion was ever entertained—that Grinder had murdered him for his money. Grinder, at any rate, was known to have money in his possession after Lewis' death. He sold out his place and moved away. But the fame of Lewis has been blotted to this day by the story that he took his own life in a fit of melancholia. For 40 years his grave remained unmarked. Then the Tennessee legislature appropriated \$500 for a monument; the bones were dug up and identified; an irregular county, having the grave as its approximate center, was named Lewis, and a few acres about the monument set aside for a park. Since then nothing has been done to care for it, but the broken column stands as it was placed, beside the forsaken road."

The peace conference at Portsmouth between the Russian and Japanese envoys has been on the verge of breaking up several times during the week but later indications are rather more favorable for peace. Japan has reconsidered her demand for an indemnity and offers to have the price to be paid by them for certain territory to be fixed by a disinterested commission.

Wm. A. Hornbrook is here from Iowa visiting his brother-in-law, N. Farnsworth, of the First National Bank. Mr. Hornbrook is a graduate of an Eastern law school and is so very favorably impressed with the future promise of Condon that he has about definitely decided to locate here either in business or in the practice of his profession.

O. W. Propet is closing out his stock of boots and shoes and will devote his time exclusively to repair work. He has rented a portion of his building to Geo. E. Wasson who is moving his confectionery and club rooms to that location.

Our new Weeder will be here this week, and we will soon tell you how it operates, whether good or bad. Meanwhile come see Hunt, the Hardware Man, about Drills, Gang and Disc plows, Wagons, Buggies Hacks, Harness etc.

A quiet wedding was solemnized in this city Monday forenoon when Mr. Rufus Redmond and Miss Estelle Gillette, both of Olex, were united in the holy bonds, the Reverend Edward Curran officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. B. K. Searcy returned Tuesday from a pleasant camping trip at the head of the DesChutes river. B. K. has a fine fund of bear stories on tap for the winter.

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