

Georgia is now a dry state, two within a year. The tide is that way stronger than ever before in the history of the country.

It is a business movement because shrewd business men everywhere have learned that whiskey is a great enemy to the success of any enterprise.

It is a moral movement, because the drink habit is on the side of the devil in every movement and against improvement.

These things and others have been attracting the attention of men, and set them to thinking. The result has been action.

The awakening is no fad, but a permanent one in the interest of a better citizenship.

How to Live Long.

The death of Mary Ramsey Wood at Hillsboro, at the age of 120 years and 7 months, calls for special notice.

A great many people would like to know how to live to be 120 years of age. The problem can not be solved.

New Year's Resolutions.

New years is no better than any other time to make resolutions, but it is a good time nevertheless.

Will drop the selfish habits of life, which are injurious to health and morals.

Will think of others and seek to advance the interests of mankind.

Will quit gossiping about neighbors. Will never help to spread a scandal.

Will do everything possible to restore confidence. Will quit gossiping about neighbors.

Will make life stand for something more than money possessed. Will do something every day to make the world better.

The Banner Roosevelt Town.

Roebing, N. J., has a postoffice of its own now, and the babies did it. Roebing is probably the champion baby town in America.

Local physicians and nurses whose presence was desired by those most interested, found the stork more nimble than they had counted on.

If John D. Rockefeller wants to show his patriotism, he should pay that \$25,000,000 fine, now, so Uncle Sam can use it for Christmas.

If you did not find what you were looking for, in the president's message, you were hard to please.

This week has seen an old year go out and a new one come in. We are now facing the problems of a different time.

This year follows what has been called, a panic, and people are wondering what kind of a year it will be financially.

But put a peg here. Make the best of things. Look up, have a broad face, be optimistic and do your share towards making the world better along all lines.

Congress will not do anything this session to put the tariff in a better condition. It should, but it will not.

Mr. Rockefeller gave away several million dollars as a Christmas diversion, but Chicago University, already immensely wealthy, got most of it.

Some people think these Teddy bears are foolish things, but as a matter of fact the dear people have to have something of the kind for a fad.

The matter of the depot should be fixed up with the Southern Pacific people in an amicable manner.

It is said that the earth will be as dry as the moon in fifty thousand years. But Georgia will be that dry hereafter.

Senator Foraker would not object so much to making President Roosevelt King, except for the suspicion that he himself might be elected Jack.

It is now proposed to make Washington a prohibition town, but as Congress governs it it will be necessary to repeal the law about having private lockers in the capitol.

The two car loads of machinery for the new flouring mill of Johnson & Marshall arrived yesterday.

C. H. NEWS.

The Tax Levy for 1908 Placed at 9 Mills.

The county court today made its annual tax levy for running the county's business, as follows: general fund 8.1 mills, special road 9 mill.

The court has been at work on supervisors and judges and clerks of election. Tonight it will adjourn until Monday or Tuesday.

The total receipts of the county recorder for the year were \$3237.34, a fine year. The best month was August, \$341.95.

Deeds recorded: Albert Snell et al to R. D. and Ethel Snell lot 6 bl 15 H's 3rd ad.

Hunters license: Grant Frzman, J. W. Hammell, W. S. Risley, O. A. Archibald, Seth French, L. M. Metzgar, D. C. Byland, O. M. Puckett, Elmer Propst, Sanford Archibald, T. J. Settlement, Lee Burkart, O. L. Miller, C. S. Downing, T. O. Powell, Tom Cummings, C. N. Lisby, H. Broder, J. S. Van Winkle, W. A. Montgomery, Francis Ward, G. D. Crawford, Jesse Jones, C. Carson, W. E. Baker, J. F. Asche, Chas. Barry, H. Albers, E. Albers.

Articles incorporating the Baptist church of Sheed. Incorporators: J. B. Cornett, Mark Curtis, V. W. Robnett.

HOUSE ENTERED

A burglar entered the residence of Dr. G. W. Grey this morning about 4 o'clock. Mrs. Lena Niles, who is visiting there heard the noise of some one and called out, when a light was flashed out and the man heard to disappear.

Death of Albert Cole.

Albert Cole, injured in a railroad accident at Roseburg, mentioned in the DEMOCRAT, after being taken to the hospital at Portland, died from the effects of the injury, and was taken to Scio where he was born thirty seven years ago, for burial.

Albany Won and Lost.

There were two games of basket ball last night between Albany and Woodburn, enjoyed by a good sized crowd of Albany people, who cheered good plays regardless of the side making them.

IN ALBANY.

People Who Come and Go

Jos. F. Reilly, Portland; C. H. Wallace, Albany; M. A. Kaiser, Ashland; Rev. J. W. Armstrong, Corvallis; R. S. Shaw, Mill City; J. S. Seal, Portland; W. H. Cochran, Spokane; E. F. Geese, Fresno, Calif.; S. R. Kennedy, Dallas; J. H. Reinhart, Foster; Mrs. M. G. & L. V. Johnson, Waitsburg, Wash.; H. B. Arnold, Marion.

The ladies of the U. P. church are prepared to give Mr. Mack Monteth a first-class recommendation as an eligible, following his splendid service yesterday as an assistant at the big dinner, in slicing ham, mashing potatoes and in fact everything that goes to make up a useful husband.

THE DEPOT MEETING

An Enthusiastic One for the Present Location.

Pursuant to the call of the Commercial Committee of the Alco Club, C. H. Stewart chairman, H. H. Hewitt, J. S. Van Winkle, E. W. Langdon, E. T. Merrill, E. D. Cusick and F. M. French, there was a large attendance at the Alco parlors last night to consider the union depot, not to interfere with anything that is being done, but to promote the movement in a friendly way.

A committee of seven was appointed to confer with Manager O'Brien in reference to the matter, with power to appoint sub-committees in connection with the vacation of the street, as follows: C. H. Stewart, E. J. Miller, J. W. Cusick, J. M. Ralston, F. M. French, Dr. M. H. Ellis and H. Bryant.

There was a decided sentiment that Albany is entitled to a large union brick depot in a satisfactory location, and reports showed that Mr. O'Brien, a new man in this field, not responsible for anything that has passed, is willing to do the right thing for the city.

SHINGLE MILL

To Be a New Albany Industry.

E. A. Thompson and Elmer Cramer, two experienced shingle mill men, with the Curtis Lumber Co., at Mill City for several years, have bought the shingle plant of the company, besides a large body of spruce timber, and will establish a shingle mill in Albany, with a capacity of 60,000 a day.

IDLE MEN

Ship With a Regiment of Soldiers for the Philippines.

Twenty five hobos stopped at Albany last night coming back from a California trip, where they found nothing doing. About that time the first section of the 14th regiment on the way in three sections from Vancouver to the Philippine Islands arrived.

PERSONAL.

Dr. Londa Gray left this morning for Portland on a short business trip. Mr. Sanford Lasselle left this morning for Salem on a business trip.

A. W. Marks, of Portland, came up this noon on a visit at the home of his father, J. M. Marks.

Mrs. Lena Niles and daughter, of Seattle, are visiting at the former's father, Dr. Grey's.

Mrs. Fred Fortmiller and Lee, Hubert and Tad left this noon for Junction on a visit at Dr. Lee's.

MISFITS.

Keep your good resolutions. The hobo has done it himself. At least don't make any bad resolutions.

Let 1908 be a boosting year for Albany. Never pay a debt with reluctance. Use cash.

A new year's resolution should be more than a fad. No use of arguing with a man who is not open to conviction.

Albany has the advantages for becoming a large inland city. Don't blame other people for your misfortunes brought on by yourself.

There is no reason why this should not be a better business year than last year. Puter, one of the biggest ones, has been pardoned in order to convict other big ones.

It is stealing just as much when you rob a railroad of a fare as it is when you steal its money or its property. There is talk of indicting State Treasurer Steel. It is about time an example was set in this kind of a business.

The Linn county tax levy is about the lowest in the state, and the affairs of no county are better managed in a more progressive way.

Cupid has his bow and arrow out along Albany's boulevards. He occasionally bags some mighty poor game with his good shots.

Some Walla Walla Elks went in straw hats to advertise the climate. Much more reason down in this valley, with its snowless fields.

There are different ways of shuffling of this mortal coil. A Tacoma man played a dirge upon a violin, smashed the instrument to pieces and then hanged himself. And all because of a woman.

A Pittsburg minister has refused to accept a \$100 present of some of the new coin without In God We Trust. Whatever his opinion on the subject money is money and this minister is a very foolish fellow.

The friends of Mr. Will Cook, with P. W. Spink, wish to present his claims for recognition for a place in the marriageable list. He is a good cook, and housekeeper, a Maccabee, a weather prophet and a pleasant gentleman.

WHY IT SUCCEEDS.

Because it's for One Thing Only, and Albany People Appreciate This.

Nothing can be good for everything. Doing one thing well brings success. Doan's Kidney Pills do one thing only.

They cure sick kidneys. They cure backache, every kidney ill. Here is Albany evidence to prove it: C. Pratt, job carpenter, living a mile and a quarter east of Albany, Ore., says: "I am just as enthusiastic in recommending Doan's Kidney Pills today as I was in March, 1903, just after I had used the remedy. As I said then, I had suffered from severe backache brought on by a strain, and any cold or over-exertion quickly affected the kidneys and caused the pain in my back and limbs to increase.

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States. Remember the name, Doan's and take no other.

Always Takes Generations of playgoers have enjoyed "Uncle Tom's Cabin" the story that moved the world and added chapters to history. But it remained for Manager Washburn of the great Stetson Company to place the old time drama in a modern stage setting.

Mrs. F. E. Allen, of Marshfield, left for home this morning, after a week's visit here and at Lebanon, accompanying Mr. Allen, by way of Portland.

Eugene Register.—E. T. Merrill, timber buyer for Starratt & Hovey, who got hold of so much of Lane county's excellent timber last spring, was up from Albany yesterday. He says the timber business is a little dull just now, but he looks for a revival of interest along in the spring if conditions remain as they are.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Simpson last night entertained a few friends, meeting with Miss Bessie Danneman of Corvallis, and Mr. Fred Ewert, of Portland, a prominent O. A. C. student, in a social session. Songs were heard from Melba, Reames and others and a pleasant time had socially. The refreshments were of rare merit.

This leap year business has already revealed the fact that a good many Albany men are in a receptive mood.

TELEGRAPHIC.

Newport, Or., Jan. 1.—Damage approximating \$10,000 was done early this morning by a fire that ravaged the business district, consuming an entire block on Main street. The business houses affected, with losses, are as follows: Dr. Davis, photograph gallery \$1,000; Stocker's meat market, \$1,000; G. Shollenburg, lodging house, and Lee Williams, general merchandise, \$3,000, with insurance light. G. Shollenburg, jewelry and millinery, \$2,000, no insurance; F. G. Booth, jewelry, loss on building, \$1,000; F. G. Hopkins, real estate, on building \$500; McClure and Chatterton, butcher shop, \$1,000, no insurance.

AURORA, Jan. 2.—The body of James Phegley the missing Canby man was found a mile and a half west of Aurora this morning. He apparently has committed suicide. He cut his throat and nearly severed the jugular vein. There was a jagged wound in the breast and no knife found. Seven dollars found in a satchel. He was 62 years old and lived around Canby for 20 years.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The fourth Infantry from Vancouver will sail from San Francisco January 5 for the Philippines. It will be replaced by the first infantry sailing from Manila May 15th.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—The Countess Yarmouth, sister of Harry Thaw, has been sued for divorce the result of nagging by her husband and family over the Thaw trial.

C. H. NEWS.

Circuit court. New suit: John D. Alkire, agt. Mrs. Alkire, suit for divorce. Marriage Oct 15, 1896. Desertion since June 1898 charged.

The County Court adjourned until Monday, when the appointment of supervisors will be completed, and other business attended to.

The sheriff has issued 7074 tax receipts last year's taxes. Out of a roll of \$235,055.05, including the sheriff's assessments, all has been paid but about \$11,500. Of this amount \$3197.86, which includes a penalty of \$532.98, is due from the Willamette Valley Co., and \$3,190, including \$531.77 penalty, from the Corvallis and Eastern, which it is said will be paid in a few days, so that the actual delinquency will be only about \$4,000, remarkably small.

The registration books have been received and registration will begin on Monday.

Deeds recorded: Sarah M. Smelser to John T. Smelser, 80a \$500. Chatel mortgage for \$140.

Hunters licenses: Chas. Hiatt, Lester Gray, C. Strainey, Lyman Markham, Arthur Leininger, H. A. Leininger, S. A. Crowder, I. A. Munkers, Peter Ruetner, F. W. Schultz, Pete Hundley, Albany; F. W. Weisner, Lebanon; Geo. A. Scott, Lacombe; R. A. McCulley, Halsey. Total 46.

People Who Come and Go.

Chas. E. Reed, Corvallis; Jessie Wilson, Corvallis; Eleanor Monk, Eugene; B. O. Herrick, Salem; D. Carter McCallister, Seattle; Dr. C. H. Newton, Philomath; F. R. Olin, Mill City; Carl E. Snyder, Brownsville; Alies Ross, Seaside; F. J. Wilson, Canyonville; F. W. Germester, Auburn, Calif.; A. M. Barrett, Portland; P. E. Turnell, Roseburg; J. E. Dow, Portland; Will Grimes, Harrisburg; Florence Reeves, Jefferson; W. H. Ross, Lebanon; Lee Wade, Toledo; G. H. Richardson, Portland; Kola Neis, Salem.

A Kick.

Albany Jan. 4.—Will you please allow me space in your valuable paper to say a few words to the city council. I can't understand why the council will not order the wagon bridge on Water St., between Sherman and Oak, repaired as well as a few cross walks, "chuck holes", etc. Now the bridge fell in just two years ago and has stood that way since falling.

Are you "Councilmen" all asleep or don't you care for anything but your own property? Order this bridge repaired at once and save the city a large damage suit by some one falling through and being injured. It would cost but a few dollars and not more than two days work to put it in fine shape for travelling once more.

Now let us while ordering cross walks, cement walks, curbing, electric lights, and all such things, order this bridge repaired so as to save teamsters many miles of unnecessary travelling. Hoping the "newly elected councilmen" will look after this bridge, I am, CITIZEN.

A Leap Year Skate.

A social event this week was a leap year skating party at the rink, with thirty or forty couples on the floor. The young ladies did the inviting and footed the bills. One of the rules was that the ladies should skate on the gentlemen's side, with a fine of ten cents against the gentleman for a violation of it if continued after a warning. There was only one fine, and the young man failed to be equal to the occasion. Fourteen more men returned north last night, having heard the mills were going to resume work.