

OREGON.

(By V. W. Brown, a 16-year-old boy of Bishop, Calif., formerly of Albany, who is about to return to Oregon.) We're bound for Oregon valleys, The rivers, the woods and game, For a home in the good green country, We want to hold a claim;

We'll have a six-foot fire-place And a garden by a creek, And over on the hillside, Are wild berries growing thick, We're going to find a clearing, That's good potato ground; We used to live in Oregon, And Oregon can't be beat, For there are three things cheap in the Webfoot state, The woods, the water and meat.

We will cut down trees and build a home, And turn out the stock to graze, And we'll have no fret and worry In our declining days; We'll have a six-foot fire-place And a garden by a creek, And over on the hillside, Are wild berries growing thick, With deer and grouse a plenty We'll have enough to eat, For almost free in the Webfoot state Is the wood, the water and meat.

Across the Atlantic.

Ola Saltveit, formerly of this city now in Norway, writes an Albany friend about part of his trip in the following interesting way:

On board R. M. S. Adriatic, near Lands End, England, Jan. 19.—On Jan. 12 we boarded this steamer and have now gotten so close to England we can see a light house light. We have had an enjoyable voyage. I have been seasick very little. The three smallest children have been well most of the time. There are only about 700 passengers on board, but the trip before there were three thousand. Last evening a concert was given and a collection taken for five shipwrecked sailors, on their way to their homes in Norway. 2 pounds 10 shillings were given. The capacity of the boat is 25,000 tons or 42,000 displacement. She is very steady. We will probably go on the R. R. to Hull in the night, to catch the North Sea steamer, bound for Norway. We would have preferred going across England in the day time.

In the Mail.

A page from the Times, of Seattle, sent the Democrat by A. J. Wyatt, formerly of this city, showing the weather in a picture of an old man, for the month of January. Mr. Wyatt writes that the old man is an actual character in Seattle, an old umbrella man, who first got tropical when his picture appeared, but a \$20 gold piece fixed him. During the month the total rainfall was 5.08 inches, snow fell 2.5 inches, it rained on 22 days, there were only four clear days, the highest temperature was 55, the lowest 25. The weather man hit it 27 times and missed it 4.

Another half page stock exchange column from Tom Lawson, a red hot attack on the food prices making machinery, demanding that President Taft stop the fake. As usual it sizzles.

A copy of Senate Bill 6957 amending the enlarged homestead act of Feb. 10, 1909 in so far as it applies to the state of Oregon, introduced by Senator Jonathan A. Bourne, and sent the Democrat by Johnathan himself, read twice and referred to the committee on public lands.

Leg Amputated

At St. Mary's Hospital this forenoon the right leg of Mrs. W. A. Cox, was amputated near the hip, by the Drs. Wallace, and Dr. Davis. She is doing well.

Articles have been filed with the secretary of state for an electric road known as the Albany Interurban Rail way Co., capital stock \$25,000, incorporators P. A. Young, C. E. Sax and J. M. Hawkins. Route Albany to Sweet Home both by way of Brownsville and Holley and Lebanon.

It is the beginning of an eclectic development with Albany as the center, and the character and prominence of the men interested will insure eventually success in the important enterprise.

A former newspaper man, a stranger in Albany, going along the street this week talking to another man remarked that he had forgotten more about the newspaper business than any of the tack heads in Albany knew. Evidently, judging from his present occupation of loafing with an empty pocket book.

Some picture men have been around. Here is the game. A photograph is secured with the promise that an enlargement shall not cost a cent. In due time a proof is brought around, and a fancy price is charged for a frame, enough to make the business a paying one. As rapid as these crayon pictures made but it is a poor way to get business.

Mrs. Bridgeman the mother of Mrs. E. R. Weaver, will be buried tomorrow. The funeral service will be held in North Albany at 10:30 a. m., the interment will be in Albany.

One of the picture stories at the Empire is a good temperance lesson. It ends the way a story should end. The young man quit the whicker habit fighting an inherited taste and married the girl he loves.

The Wizard Club will hold a big party at the gym on Feb. 21 for the benefit of the park fund, returning the commitments of the young ladies.

OPEN ETTER.

Ladies and Gentlemen— For nearly a year I have been engaged in the business of sending out far and wide printed information and personal letters setting forth the claims of Albany and its tributary region to prospective newcomers. This work has been carried on as a part of the general policy of the Albany Commercial Club, with the financial sinews of war furnished by yourselves. That the work has been fairly well done has been evidenced by the fact that numerous letters are being daily received by the Commercial Club indicating the purpose on the part of many people from all over the United States, as well as from several foreign countries, to come to Albany and Linn County in the near future.

Beyond any question, the influx of newcomers to the state of Oregon in general, and to our own Linn county during the years 1910 and 1911, beginning actively with the inauguration of the Colonists' Rates, March 1st to April 15th, will be far in excess of anything previously known in our history. This is the judgment of railroad men of prominent cities of Oregon who have made tours of the East, and is proven over and over again by the number and character of the letters being received by the publicity organizations of the state. It is a fact that Albany is in line for its just share of this wonderful immigration. These people are coming in response to the representations that we have made, and the invitations we have given. They are taking us at our word; they believe we have the greatest country on earth out here; they are coming to unite with us in the effort to develop the marvelous resources of Oregon and the Pacific Northwest.

All this sounds good from the Booster standpoint; reads first class, and causes him to rub himself with strong self approbation. BUT, there is another aspect of this matter, to which I feel, fellow citizens, that I must seriously and earnestly call your attention. It is not a new aspect of the case; the Commercial Club, its President, its Secretary, its officers, its members and its Manager have howled and howled and howled on this matter, and have appointed special committees to take the matter up definitely with citizens, and yet thus far visible results have not obscured the horizon. And that is the absolute lack of adequate accommodations for the housing of the new people who are daily arriving, and who are about to arrive in Albany. The plain fact is that at this present moment our hotels, our lodging houses, and most of our rooming houses are filled to overflowing. One of the principal hotels was compelled to send to outside rooms the other evening thirteen commercial travelers who sought accommodations. It is a daily occurrence with the hotels to have to send outside for their guests to be lodged. And as for houses to rent, it is a well known fact there is not at this moment in Albany a modern, up-to-date residence available.

I am aware that the building record of Albany for the past year surpasses anything in its history, and that the citizens of the city have it in mind, in a general sort of way, to surpass that record during the current year, but I believe it is upon us as citizens, and upon us as businessmen, to give attention. Not only do we need cottages and apartment houses for the accommodation of our rapidly growing population, but we need above all things, a new, adequate up-to-date hotel, every room of which shall be heated and provided with modern conveniences such as the vast majority of the newcomers are accustomed to whence they came. How would it sound to have a sign like the following, printed in great, glaring, black letters, and placed in front of the Union Depot of this city?

"DON'T STOP HERE THIS IS ALBANY. IT IS FULL TO OVERFLOWING. DON'T WANT ANY NEWCOMERS HERE. GO ON TO EUGENE OR ANY OTHER OLD PLACE WHERE THEY HAVE APARTMENT HOUSES AND FIXED UP-TO-DATE COTTAGES AND FITTED UP-TO-DATE."

This may sound like luncheon, but the situation justifies the suggestion of such words. Albany must wake up on the building line for the accommodation of newcomers, if it is to receive the benefits of the publicity work that has been done in the past two years. You citizens should take steps at once to form companies, if necessary, for the solution of this problem. There is no reason in the world why Albany should not take on within the next two or three years a substantial growth that will almost double its population. Portland boldly flaunts the ensign, "500,000 in 1912," and people who visit Portland look at the marvelous progress being made there on the building line, are almost prepared to believe that it will accomplish this wonderful result. Albany can accomplish similar results if it will wake up and get busy. Albany may double the area of its taxable property within the next two years, if it will; it may almost double its business center, if it will.

Attached hereto are a few sample sentences from letters, the like of which are being daily received by the Albany Commercial Club. They are genuine and the real names and addresses of the writers applied thereto.

I am very anxious that accommodations shall be provided for these and the scores of others who look upon Albany as their destination. Unless provision is made for these people and their fellows, I feel that along about the middle of March, it will be necessary for me to pack my grip hastily, leave my pleasant post in the Albany Commercial Club rooms, and hike my way where nobody will find me, for these newcomers certainly will make life a burden to me.

Most Sincerely, WALLACE A. STRUBLE, Manager Albany Commercial Club. These are some sample inquiries received during the past week. "Wish to know what a live or six room, strictly modern home rents for."—Miss Beulah Kennedy, E. 216 Harrison Ave., Spokane, Wash.

"As I am intending to make a change so as to start my sons in business, I would like some literature about Albany."—Mrs. Frances Kelton, 1982 S. Jennings Ave., Ft. Worth, Tex. "Have about decided to try your locality—what can be done there in the way of renting homes or good flats furnished ready for occupancy."—J. B. Doane, 40 Pearl St., Hornell, N. Y. "F. G. Jones, 2804 Elizabeth Ave., Zion City, Ill., wants to rent a house and take time to look over the situation thoroughly before investing in property or business.

"Is there any good chance for a man with family to move into your country?"—H. B. Halvorson, Thief River Falls, Minn., R. F. D. No. 2. "After nearly 20 years of public life in one line of work for Uncle Sam, I have decided to go West, and have been reading about Linn county, Oregon. Where should I stop to see a good farming and fruit growing locality?"—D. W. Cunningham, Dept. U. S. M., Charleston, W. Va.

"H. J. Altman, 142 Woodworth Rd., E. Cleveland, Ohio, expects to make a trip here in the near future. "Please send what literature you can also a map of the state. I am going to Oregon sometime in April, and I want to get information before leaving here."—J. C. Lafain, Gladstone, Mich. "I wish to locate in your section this spring."—D. W. Leonard, 545 1/2 Epoch Ave., Zion, Ill.

"My interest in your part of the country is just this: I expect to leave, bag and baggage, for the Coast on or about March 1st."—Walter S. Wright, 213 N. Peters St., New Orleans, La. "Expect to be in your city near the middle of February."—Mrs. C. A. Sperber, Artesia, N. Mexico.

"Is it hard to find houses for rent in Albany? I would be glad to get some information about Albany. I am expecting to move to some part of Oregon."—J. W. Ebert, Siftan, Wash., P. O. Box No. 8. "Please send me all the information you can about Albany, also a sample copy of newspaper. I expect to leave here and wish to investigate Oregon."—Jos. Bentley, Alburgh, California.

"Up to the present time I think Albany will be my choice, provided we can complete our plans to leave here early in the spring."—Fred W. Yates, Room 10 Garland Block, Santa Barbara, Calif.

"I should be very much pleased to get such information about your city of Albany, Oregon, as I am thinking of going out that way in the spring."—R. S. McDuff, East Princeton, Mass. "Letter received. Will say no doubt but I will be a resident of your vicinity. Will get there some time in April. I would like you to send literature in regard to Albany to a friend that is about selling his farm and is going West."—R. Alexander, Fowlerville, Mich.

C H NEWS

Probate:— Final account approved in estate of L. C. Miller. In estate of Jas. C. Rawlins. Harvey Rawlins was appointed administrator. Value of property \$500. Final hearing set for March 7 in estate of W. H. Sylvester.

Notarial Commission W. A. Ewing filed.

Contests in the matters of the wills of Jerry Shea and S. J. Irwin are being heard this week by Judge Duncan, and the guardianship matter of Henry Settemier is also up.

Deeds recorded:— M. C. Munkers to Perry Blyue 80 acres \$ 1 Est. J. F. Nixon to Sarah J. Holloway 11.13 acres 450 W. C. Tweedale to Foshay & Mason 26 1/2 feet First St. R. S. Shaw to J. S. Van Winkle 11 ft by 24 1/2 ft 51 Albany W. N. Price to B. F. Benahof 119 acres 4000 J. B. Eddy to Jas. Benner & wf 2 lots Lebanon 10 E. W. Langdon to J. J. Horsky strip bl 11 E. A. G. T. Hoekensmith to Karl Bramwell 2 lots Halsey 625 Mary E. Piekens to Jas. H. Lewis C. H. St. John to Linnhaven Orchard Co. 169 acres 10 W. H. Brock to Linn Co. 1.6 acres 82

Deeds recorded:— B. T. McBain to Santiam Power Co. 3 lots Lebanon and 185 a. \$ 10 E. Hennes to Curtis Lumber Co. 120 acres 10

Agreement J. C. Courtney to S. P. Bach use brick wall and strengthen the same.

Contract L. T. Hennes and Curtis Lumber Co., for sale of timber in seven years with right of way, consideration, \$10.

Mortgage for \$300.

In estate of Jerry Shea objections withdrawn and final account approved. Final account approved in estate of L. C. Miller.

Marriage license: Scott Fisher, aged 7, and Florence Mae Putnam 23, Brownsville.

Teachers examination tomorrow.

A Newport booster.

Dr. F. M. Carter, of Newport, has been in the city today. He reports Newport getting into the metropolitan orbit. The crows have been ordered out, electric lights are sparkling, a water system is being put in, the railroad is to be extended from Yaguina, there is to be a good deal of building done, the weather has been fine, and Newport is going to be it this summer.

MISFITS.

A bigger and better Albany all the time.

Carpenters are again busy all over town.

If it is a good cause keep everlasting ly at it.

More houses for newcomers. Get a move on.

Extend the city limits. Other towns are doing it.

Albany ought to have eight or ten houses of flats.

The Willamette Valley towns are now boosting together.

When you write anything for the Democrat boil it down.

Paris is it itself again and the moving picture men will again vibrate.

If Albany men have any money to invest they may well put it in houses for rental.

Another cold winter up in Alaska, with the mercury down to 70 below. Remarkable.

The new mayor of New York is putting the fellows out who haven't been doing anything.

The commercial club already has a good home. Put your money in flats and houses for newcomers.

If we get a public garbage wagon there will be a splendid place for consigning family scraps.

The New York woman who is looking for a soul-mate will probably never find him. She evidently needs a good sense mate.

Prohibition, the obstacle to Real Reform, is the heading of a joker pamphlet, being sent broadcast by the whiskey league.

The R. F. D. is one of the greatest things of the present day, and congress had better put the fact somewhere in its little brain.

Lebanon has already begun preparations for its annual strawberry fair in June. A strawberry reputation is worth hustling for.

Halley's comet is now about south east of Albany, slowly wending its way towards Eugene, indistinctly seen through a telescope, a star with a hazy appearance. It will be nearly June 1st before it comes out in the open like Mr. A.

A man was in the city selling a book for \$17.00, which tells one how to expose oneself on any subject. Harvey Scott is reported to have bought one on the jump, and Harvey already expresses himself about the best of any man on the coast.

It is charged that Clarence Gore, of Medford, who died on Sunday, was a victim of having at the U. O. He contracted a cold while being hazed, went into quick consumption and the grave followed. It is time that hazers were punished as severely as other desperadoes.

FALSE REPORT

My Dear Mr. Editor: The loyal friends for Albany College were somewhat dismayed by an article in the Journal of Portland of Saturday, 5, in which the reporter informed the public that Dr. Joseph Cochran, Secretary to the Presbyterian Board of Education, favored the removal of Albany College to Eugene.

Allow me, please, to assure our friends that no such movement is contemplated either officially or unofficially. Dr. Cochran is Secretary of the Board of Education of the Presbyterian church. This board has to do with the education of theological students and has the oversight of certain theological seminaries in the church. The colleges of the Presbyterian church are under the full direction of the College Board of the Presbyterian church to the secretaryship of which Rev. Robert McKenzie, D. D., of San Francisco, has just been called. The Board of Education has nothing to do with the management of our colleges; the College Board has absolutely nothing to do with our seminaries.

Albany College has the complete friendship of the College Board of the Presbyterian church and it expects more and more help through its agency. Its new secretary, Dr. McKenzie, says that there is great need of Albany college at Albany and he will do everything in his power to uphold the institution.

It seems difficult to believe that Dr. Cochran was correctly reported by the reporter for he preached a powerful sermon last Sunday morning in the First Presbyterian church of Portland in which sermon he made telling reference to Albany college. H. M. CROOKS.

Smith Won.

The supreme court yesterday reversed its decision in the case of C. Sam Smith, of Crook county, in which he was convicted of numerous burning misdemeanors, and ordered a new trial a victory for Hon. J. K. Weatherford, of this city, who argued the case before the supreme court for Mr. Smith.

Imported Percheon Mare FOR SALE AT ALBANY

J. B. Gordon & Son of Newberg has shipped in a number of their August Importation of Percheon Mares that they offer for sale at prices and terms to suit the farmers. A number of them are due to foal this spring They are now at the Wiswam.

J. D. GORDON & SON.

TELEGRAPH. Big Boston Fire

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—A fire of the New England Rendering Co. and Armour's plants, belonging to the trust, caused \$750,000 damage.

Dr. Hyde Did it

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 9.—The coroners jury holds that Dr. Hyde poisoned millionaire Swope.

Jasper Robbery.

EUGENE, Feb. 9.—The safe of the country store at Jasper was robbed last night of \$75, taken yesterday, pay day, it was on the Natron road, but the money was banked early.

Why Refused.

ROME, Feb. 9.—The Pope today says he refused a private audience to Fairbanks because he insisted when keeping an earlier engagement with the Methodist society here.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—Senator Bourne's bill passed the senate authorizing the sale of the Siletz Indian land reserved in 1852 and approved 1894. The sale will be by auction or sealed bids and the money will go to the Indians. Water power sites are reserved.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—Based upon a communication received from the Coos Bay Chamber of Commerce Senator Bourne requested the war department to call for a report and estimates required necessary for the improvement and will endeavor to secure an appropriation.

SALEM, Feb. 7.—Complaint was made to the railroad commission this morning of the O. R. & N. and O. & C. furnishing cars 1700 capacity will not hold 1800.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The administration bill providing for federal corporations engaged in interstate commerce was presented both houses today.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—Senator Chamberlain is favoring a resolution to reopen the Sutton investigation.

NORFOLK, Feb. 7.—Diphtheria is so prevalent here that the schools have been dismissed and the churches and public meetings will be closed.

PORTLAND, Feb. 8.—Norman Brothers, hotel men of Spokane, closed a deal today for the Portland Hotel, consideration \$1,000,000. The Equitable Life Insurance society is backing them financially. Half a million will be spent in improvements.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Senator Chamberlain as guest of Rabbi Wise, will speak tonight in New York at the Free Synagogue on the subject of "Jews as American citizens."

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—Senator Bourne has arranged with the commissioner of fisheries to ship a car load of lobsters from Maine to Yaguina Bay for experimental planting.

CHATTANOOGA, Feb. 8.—Two negro laborers were killed by whites working at Hale Bar, the result of a race riot.

TEACHERS.

The following are being examined this week: Scio.—Beatrice Devaney, Maggie McDonald, Francis M. Arnold, R. Ward Cyrus, Bessie Shelton, Owen Cyrus. Albany.—Mildred Hood, Mary A. Geil, Bertha Wright, Harriet Dwyer, Isabel H. Tracey, Olive Adams. Thomas.—Ralph McDonald, Leland Green, Wm. Green. Sweet Home.—Mrs. P. W. Storey, Lebanon.—Clarence Thom, Ralph Thom, A. M. Young, Homer O. Pearson, Archie G. Erskine, Annie Dinwiddie. Gervais.—Anna McCormick, Sheldi.—Margaret McCormick, Waldon H. Morgan, Bessie Truelove. Waterloo.—Etta Heyne. Stayton.—Katie Stayton, Ida Colby. Tangent.—Belle Slate, Mary Hart. Halsey.—Elsie Jones, Edna Swearingner, Ina White. Berlin.—David G. Crow. Plainview.—Wm. C. Fletcher.

Mrs. C. M. Kimball is being examined for a state certificate. Now for the south pole, and no contention.

A CONSTABLE'S CAPTURE

EUGENE, Feb. 8.—Constable Shepard, in a hand to hand struggle, captured Mike Sebascio, a former logger of the Booth Kelly Co., now a hermit living in the mountains, charged with several burglaries. He had been terrorizing everyone.

Devlin's Breakdown

SALEM, Feb. 9.—Thomas C. Devlin, ex city auditor and receiver of the Oregon Trust is reported in a sanitarium at Los Angeles, the victim of a nervous breakdown and fears are entertained of his recovery.

President Taft is to be in Alaska when Roosevelt returns.

REGISTRATION OF LAND TITLE.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Linn County. In the matter of the application of Jasper D. Turnidge to register the title to the following described premises, to-wit:

The southeast quarter and the south half of the northeast quarter of Section 23, in Township 31 south Range 1 west of the Willamette Meridian, in Linn County, Oregon, containing 240 acres, against Anna Althouse and Katherine Althouse, and the Oregon & California Railroad Company, and all whom it may concern, defendants. To-All Whom It May Concern:

Take notice, that on the 5th day of January A. D. 1910, an application was filed by said Jasper D. Turnidge in the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Linn County, for initial registration of the title to the land above described. Now, unless you appear on or before February 28, 1910, A. D., shall not be granted, the same will be taken as confessed, and a decree will be entered according to the prayer of the application, and you will be forever barred from disputing the same.

Witness my hand the seal of said Circuit Court, this 5th day of January, 1910. J. W. MILLER, County Clerk and ex-officio Clerk of the Circuit Court of Linn County, Oregon.

HEWITT & SOX, Applicant's Attorney.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern that the undersigned executors of the estate of Charlotte Thomas, deceased, have filed their final account in said estate in the County Court of Linn County, Oregon, and that said court has fixed Monday, the 21st day of February, 1910, at the hour of 1 o'clock p. m. of said day as the time for hearing and settling of all objections to said account; therefore, all persons having any objection to said account are hereby notified to appear and file the same in said court on or before said last mentioned date. Dated this 21st day of January, 1910. ARILLA BURKHART, MARION THOMAS, Executors of said estate.

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Linn. John E. Daughton, plaintiff, vs. Florence Daughton, defendant. To Florence Daughton, the above named defendant, the above named plaintiff in the above entitled court, now on file with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Linn County, Oregon, on or before the 10th day of March, 1910, and you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer the complaint as herein required that the plaintiff will apply to the court for a decree dissolving the bonds of matrimony now existing between plaintiff and defendant and for such other and further decree as to the court may seem just and equitable.

This Summons is published by order of the above entitled court, made at Chambers on the 20th day of January, 1910, which order requires the first publication of this summons to be made on the 28th day of January, 1910, and the last publication to be made on the 11th day of March, 1910, and the defendant required to appear and answer by the 10th day of March, 1910. J. K. WEATHERFORD, Attorney for Plaintiff.