

SATURDAY NIGHT THOUGHTS.

In politics the same old fight is on, interesting because of the candidacy of Roosevelt, one of the most aggressive men in the country, now thrown on the defensive in explaining matters hard to explain.

Circuit court has been in session in Albany, a preliminary affair to get ready for the jury in the week following, a procedure that has much merit.

A movement to give Albany a public library of a size to meet the demands of the future is a commendable one. Perhaps Albany has no institution that is more universally popular than the library, one close to rich and poor and people of all businesses and professions, as well as ages, from the boy or girl just old enough to read, to the man or woman close to the end.

A movement for an industrial fair is attracting attention. It is meeting with favor. There are those, though, who think these modern affairs are talking the attention of children off their studies; but what study can surpass that of tilling the soil.

A city does well when it eradicates from its institutions all the pit-falls in the way of the boys and girls. They are not only entitled to the protection of their parents, which doesn't amount to much in some homes, but as well to that of the city fathers, who should use every effort possible in securing laws that will make a clean city for them.

Perhaps the saloon is the greatest of all. That has been banished from the city; but there are blind pigs left. The public dance hall is a menace. That has been abolished.

Skating rinks are a poor place unless run along absolutely proper lines. Cigarettes are a curse to the boys of the land, a stumbling block in the life of every boy who uses them.

Out on the street after 9 o'clock at night, as a rule, means trouble. There is a law requiring the written consent of parents.

Helping boys and girls to get the right start is one of the most important things before our people, and it deserves consideration by everybody.

C. H. WALKER OVER THE MTS.

Bend, Ore., Mar. 4, 1912. Leaving Albany at 4:18 a. m. last Thursday Bend was reached by the Harriman line about 8 p. m. the same day, with over an hour's stop at The Dalles, where we make change of cars, thus having time to get a good dinner.

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The country for miles eastward from Bend is covered with scattering juniper trees, averaging about 30 feet in height.

The lands under irrigation are scattered through this timber, and have to be cleared, and besides the trees also of rocks, sage brush, etc, but yield fine crops, and garden truck too, under irrigation. As I look at it Bend has a great future.

Saturday night I organized Eastern Star grange some six miles east of Bend in a thriving community. The master is Orville C. Cardwell, a Linn county "boy," and formerly of Morning Star grange. Chaplain, Pearl Cardwell; secretary, Anna C. Moe; lecturer, Alma D. Stewart. I hope to organize several more granges in Crook county before returning to Albany.

It is clear this morning and quite cool. The weather since the first week in January has been "lovely." I am told, up to a few days ago.

The Three Sisters directly to the west, and other snow peaks to the south of them, show up magnificently in the bright sunshine.

This is considered a splendid country for rheumatics, with some remarkable cures. I can eat a much heartier meal than when I left the Willamette, and am feeling fine, sheltered under the Cardwell roof tree, a fine farm of 120 acres six miles out from town.

Eastern Star grange sends greetings to all other granges, especially to those of Western Oregon. With best wishes to Albany and Linn county friends.

CYRUS H. WALKER.



Harold Davis, of this city, has an idea about the political situation, perhaps applicable to the office of sheriff as much as anything.

THE GRANGE'S ROAD BILLS.

The State Grange, through its committee, Master C. E. Spence, A. I. Mason and Hon. C. L. Shaw, have prepared two bills for the improvement of the roads of the state.

The first provides for a state highway department, headed by a state highway engineer, to receive an annual salary of \$3600, to have an office in the capitol building. When requested by any county court it will be his business to prepare plans and specifications and supervision of all roads and bridges, at the cost of the counties. He shall compile statistics and report to the legislature. It shall be the business of all county courts to furnish him with all details of road and bridge work, and \$10,000 is appropriated for the expense of the office.

The second bill provides for the issuing of bonds by any county court for raising money for permanent roads. Upon petition of fifty tax payers a county road meeting may be called. A provision is made for counties having an assessed valuation under \$20,000,000; also over that, and under \$50,000,000, which will apply to Linn county.

It shall be the duty of such meeting to determine the place of beginning and terminus of each road to be improved, to begin at the market place or places, or a road already improved; to name the amount of bonds proposed to be issued, length of time, rate of interest, not to exceed 6 per cent; also determine the kind of material, and may change the maximum grade. It shall have a chairman and secretary.

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(FRIDAY.)

Or, Apple Box Victory.

Washington, March 7.—Oregon has won the apple-box fight.

Not only has the objectionable Sulzer bill been withdrawn, but it is believed another session of congress will see the Oregon box the standard.

Oregon horticulturists, headed by Hawley, held a midnight conference with the house committee last night. The result was an agreement to withdraw the Sulzer bill and substitute another measure, drawn by Hawley and Oregon horticulturists, penalizing shippers who pack cull apples in the middle of barrels. This feature will be a benefit to Oregon growers.

Judge Burnett gave a dissenting opinion on the Springfield case, which shows that he has a great head.

A dispatch has been received from Roald Amundsen, of Norway, that the South Pole was attained on the 14-17th of December. This marks a new discovery in the history of the world.

G. W. Rohrbaugh, of this city, is at Sisseton, assisting Rev. F. W. Launer, of Jefferson, in a series of meetings, which are creating much interest. Last Sunday an S. S. was organized with a membership of thirty-one.

Mrs. J. B. Irvine died at Corvallis yesterday at the age of 74 years. She was a pioneer of Linn county and resided at Seio thirteen years. She leaves a husband and five children, among them being B. F. Irvine of the Portland Journal and J. D. Irvine of Brownsville.

THE COURTS.

Circuit:— In Geo. W. Fisher agt. J. L. Green et al., demurrer overruled.

In Kohler & Chase agt. R. Kuhn, demurrer to the complaint was sustained, plaintiff given to April 7 to file amended complaint, and deft. to May 7 to plead.

Instead of there being a judgment in the case of the First National Bank agt. Alvin, the case was settled.

County:— Claim for damages in application of F. T. Thayer et al for road dismissed on report of viewers, appealed to circuit court.

In application B. C. Carlton et al for road, I. H. Coffelt, E. H. Hulbert and A. L. Goddes were appointed viewers to meet Mar 29.

Application T. A. Powell et al for road, granted.

Grange Meetings.

On March 26th Grand Prairie Grange conferred the 3rd and 4th degree on three candidates, after which Linn Co. Pomona held its session, with a large attendance.

A number of resolutions pertaining to changes in the State Grange by-laws were passed.

A vote of thanks was tendered H. Bryant for an interesting talk and also extending to the Progressive League of Albany heart felt sympathy and sincere co-operation in all good works.

At the evening session the 5th degree was given to six members. The Pomona now has been organized only a year.

A number of pioneer granges said it was the best grange meeting they had ever attended.

There were two good feeds, one at 12 and one at 6. Next meeting will be held at Crowfoot in June.

Oil Experts.

Editor Democrat:—An oil land locator must be a highly educated man who has taken these branches in his college course, and accompanied by experience, zoology, botany, mineralogy, petrology, geology, chemistry, surveying, and a few other kindred sciences.

In the mining department of the University of California an effort is being made to establish a course of this kind and only oil locators properly certified will be allowed to locate. California knows what is necessary.

In a serious case of sickness you would not want a quack to doctor you. A business that calls for \$25,000 to \$50,000 is serious enough to call for the best trained and most highly educated help you can get in investigating it.

I will try to give a brief resume of Linn's oil territory in Monday evening's Democrat. W. R. BLAIN.

An O. A. C. Romance.

The Democrat yesterday mentioned the marriage of Mr. Jos. Turk and Miss Pauline Davis. This transpires to have been an O. A. C. romance, both former students of that college.

Turk was a member of last year's base ball team, and the bride is a daughter of J. B. Davis, of near this city. They went to Portland to reside.

Gale Sanders and Bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Gale Sanders passed through the city this noon for Newport on their bridal trip, and for a visit with Mrs. Sander's parents. The groom, formerly of Albany, bank clerk of Seattle, and Miss Emma Burton, of Newport, formerly of Portland, were married in Portland on Monday.

A turkey trot dance in Tacoma caused a small riot. The Hotel Julian at Corvallis has had three fire scares within about a month.

Bill Walker this noon returned from Portland, without any horses, but pot track of some.

R. M. Jennings and H. E. Morton went to Corvallis this morning, a union of Eugene, Albany and Corvallis.

SATURDAY.

FAST B. B.

In Which U. O. Beat Albany H. S.

About the fastest game of basket ball ever played in Albany was that last night between the U. O. freshmen and the Albany high. U. O. won 28 to 23. First half 16 to 13, second 12 to 10. The two systems of basket ball were played in the halves, in the first throwing baskets from the dribble, in the second after a dribble throwing to another player, or with one hand from a dribble.

The points were made as follows: For Albany—Beeson 13, C. Bigbee 8, L. Bigbee 2. For U. O.—Vosper 13, Watson 5, Boydland 4, Parsons 4, Gould 2.

On both sides there were sensational plays. Beeson again did star work making some sensational baskets, splendidly made by Carson Bigbee. Abraham did good work at center, and one sensational basket was made by Guard Bigbee.

Vosper, forward, was the star for Eugene, though a very rough player. Clayton Watson also did good work, and the U. O. team work was particularly effective.

Maurice Bigbee was in the team, but was not put in against his two brothers. The crowd present was the largest yet at a basket ball game, the receipts being about \$110.

The lineups were: U. O. Freshmen—Vosper and Watson forwards, Gould c, Boydland and Parsons guards.

A. H. S.—Beeson and C. Bigbee forwards, Abraham c, L. Bigbee and Ryalls guards.

Officials:—Moore referee, Penland umpire.

HOUSE BURNED.

The house of A. W. Bowersox, at Baker and Fifth street was partially burned about 8 o'clock last night. It is rented by Mr. and Mrs. Jaa. McAllister. At the time the family was down street. It was thought to have caught from the five upstairs, where the flames were mostly confined, the fire department doing effective work in extinguishing them, and keeping them above. Nearly all the things down stairs were gotten out by neighbors before the fire department arrive, but up stairs havoc was made with things.

A large crowd gathered at the corner and watched proceedings.

News from Albany's Six Early Trains.

The U. O. freshmen went to Portland with their basket ball to play Washington a second game. They won the former and expect to win this one also, a fast and well trained aggregation.

Commissioner Butler left for Kingston to look after a load of steel reported there ready for the Stayton bridge to go in this spring.

D. H. Bodine, a prominent candidate for Sheriff on the republican ticket, went to Lebanon. He is a graduate of the O. A. C., a popular young man, and a native of the county.

Judge Terrill a former head of the county court of Marion county, returned to his home at Mehama, after a Salem trip.

Gale S. Hill, deputy district attorney, and a candidate for district attorney, went to Salem on a short business trip.

Mrs. J. C. Hammel and daughter Miss Blanche, went to Salem.

H. B. Cusick went to Portland. Prof. Walter Wood went to Corvallis on his regular Saturday trip.

R. E. Morris came down from Corvallis.

Mrs. C. V. Littler went to Portland to spend Sunday with her folks.

Prof. Boettcher went to Salem to look after his orchard.

Miss Winnie Bassett went to Portland on a couple days' trip.

C. H. NEWS.



Registration farm name, Sarah Smith, Oak Ridge.

Transcript—appeal Eiler agt. Reine

Heavy tax payments: J. A. McBride \$126.92, G. W. McBride \$115.11, W. C. Burkhardt \$245.66, Mamie L. Burkhardt \$187.99, A. C. Schmitt and Anna Flinn \$475.49, A. C. Schmitt \$445.61, Edna V. Miller \$165.87, Jane Conser \$204.28, Est. A. P. Maxwell \$141.52, H. N. Arnold \$135.50, W. D. Washburn \$478.97, Henry Knuths \$222.01, W. H. McMahan, \$232.51, First Savings Bank \$691.12, F. T. Thayer \$137.58, First National Bank \$4320.36, F. Sterling \$140.84, C. D. Stein \$186.58, Dr. Davis \$240.81, J. S. Oxford \$127.61, Riantam Power Co. \$114.40, E. H. Rhodes \$611.66, Emily J. Snelling \$121.94, Masonic Bid'g Assn. \$138.27, Jos. Bond \$132.10, P. L. Reese et al \$163.92, S. D. Stephens \$126.40, Mrs. M. J. Train \$269.58, Lebanon State Bank \$432.07, E. Sherry \$191.86, M. Senders & Co. \$164.48, Wm. Brenner \$164.95.

Real estate sales: T. M. Bennett to M. M. McMahan 2 lots Halsey ..... \$1200 Carl Salzi to C. H. Salzi, 8 acres ..... 1 Chas. Salzi to C. Salzi, 45 acres ..... 1 Josie Starr to C. L. Serwill, lot N. Brownsville ..... 475

Heavy tax payments: J. S. Courtney \$103.13, M. Kelly \$128.87, H. & M. Baker \$148.69, Ed Dorgan \$113.11, Emma Dyer \$213.27, W. M. Phillips \$120.41, Curtis Bros. \$115.43, Farmella Smith \$166.90, M. Hale \$226.66, T. J. Munkers \$289.29, W. C. Hale \$111.54, E. D. Cusick \$124.55, G. A. Burt, \$183.08, W. M. Davidson \$153.74, D. Cormier \$161.15, Kallma & Poochaska \$125.62, M. Herman \$115.37, H. R. Schuitz \$204.57, T. J. Hannah \$123.15, H. Hinds \$101.73, W. W. Poland \$122.36, J. B. Dickover & Co. \$120.21, John McPherrin \$144.59, W. I. Christy \$118.87, A. V. Pate \$140.12, R. C. Churchill \$118.23, Jas. W. Miller \$114.33.

Deeds recorded: C. L. Ranson to Chas. A. Lynch, lot Mill City ..... \$ 60 G. A. Loring to J. A. McEachen et al, 28c acres ..... 3600 W. C. Snyder to C. P. White, 160 acres ..... 6720

Plat Masonic cemetery at Brownsville filed.

Report of Dr. Davis health officer for Feb: 32 births, 14 boys, 18 girls; 12 deaths.

CIRCUIT COURT.

Judge P. R. Kelly today held a preliminary term of department number one to arrange the docket for the regular term beginning next Monday. The following cases were set for trial: Monday, at 1 p. m.—Or. agt. Geo. Fisher.

Tuesday, at 9 a. m.—E. Wills agt. Gustave Rose. 1 p. m.—L. M. Travis agt. Lee L. Driver. 3 p. m.—M. Lynott agt. Joe Miller.

Wednesday, 9 a. m.—O. E. agt. Lewis R. Wilson et al. Thursday, 9 a. m.—T. E. Wall agt. W. W. Little.

The following were reported settled Albany State Bank agt. R. E. Welch et al.; W. J. Turnidge agt. Edga. Perry et al.; Roy Morgan agt. Robert Tassel; Sarah C. Bunnett agt. A. P. Chastain; Grover Slate agt. J. H. Yoder et al.; R. W. Holbrook agt. Linnhaven Orchard Co.; J. C. Christy agt. D. M. Cooper et al.; M. E. Watson agt. A. L. Simpson; J. D. Smith agt. E. D. Henry; A. W. Roth agt. A. Kamle.

Judgment was rendered in the following: J. J. Langmack agt. R. Tassel; First National Bank agt. Thos. Alvin et al.; L. H. Wilkes agt. Perry Hawk, with \$15 for attorney's fees; Lee M. Travis agt. Henry Loretz.

Dismissed: Or. agt. John Buchanan, the defendant having skipped the country; Or. agt. Ered Wodtli.

Three cases agt. J. T. States will be continued because of bankruptcy proceedings pending, and other cases were continued until Monday.

O. E. agt. J. C. Porter will be for trial, also John Ousterson agt. Ed. Wolfe.

Settlement was reported pending in the O. E. cases of W. W. Green, E. Maude Henderson, and Mark Hulbert.

Exclusive styles in Millinery at the Woman's Hat Shop.

DR. M. H. ELLIS Physician and Surgeon Albany, Oregon Calls made in city and country. Phone, Main 38.

MISFITS. Keep the pit-falls out. Wanted a street car loop. Our suburbs are filling up fast. After all the big stick isn't so very big. Lives count for righteousness more than talk. That P. O. corner looks sore and lonesome. We'll hardly know ourselves drinking clear water. Where are the old-fashioned buck wheat pancakes. Let us have a library that shall be a monument to the city. It will take more than wind and enthusiasm to nominate Teddy. Single tax was set down on three to one in Seattle, and no one was hurt. The open saloon is a stench. The blind pig, out of sight, is bad enough. How things have changed. A modern motor boat is now running on the Dead Sea. Strange, but thousands of Seattle women voted with the saloon and gamblers. Just advertise a thing below cost and it strikes the women every time. And the men too. People just outside the city limits will have to come inside if they want municipal privileges. There are Hooligan chumps in real life, men who get caught at the same trick over and over again. The republican papers are so busy over their own troubles they haven't any time to bother with the democrats. About time work was begun on the O. E. depot if the road is to be running into Albany by the first of July. The Corvallis G. T. is boasting of an egg 6 by 7 1/2 inches. That's but a marble compared with the 8 by 7 1/2 inch egg reported a while back by the Dem. Next time the editor of the G. T. of Corvallis comes to Albany he will need to bring a body guard. He refers to the Democrat man as "the Bill Nye of Oregon." Great is the straw ballot. The appeal to Reason asked one, and the result was 65,628 for Debs, 54,726 for McNamara, 48,225 for Gompers, 41,384 for Roosevelt and only 426 for Taft. The U. S. supreme court in dissolving the Standard Oil into 24 subsidiaries, it is now discovered handed John D. some more fortunes, about \$60,000,000 in all, and it is the same old trust just the same. More water has been put into the stock, that's all. The ordinance requiring electric signs to fold back should be amended. These signs are a splendid thing for a city, and there is nothing calling for such a provision, unless the signs are down now. If above a certain height, which does not need to be very high, the hinges should not be required. In the city—From Eugene: J. B. McFall, J. W. Kays. From Salem: A. H. Tanner, J. E. Jenks, E. F. Zimmer, L. T. Large. From Roseburg: E. R. Thomas. From Leavenworth, Kan.: E. H. Connor, E. H. Barkman. Dr. Kent and wife, nee Miss Jennie Clayton, a former Albany young woman, are in the city on a visit with Mrs. Kent's former friends, Mrs. Kent sees a wonderful change here, after being away twelve years, a decided improvement. We carry a full line of Staple and Fancy groceries at our market, at 2nd & Lyon Sts., to which we invite your special attention. Albany Dressed Beef & Produce Co.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of Philip Mathew Flood, deceased, by the county court of Linn county, Oregon, and that letters of administration on said estate have been duly issued to the undersigned by said court; therefore, all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified and required to present the same with the proper vouchers to the undersigned at her residence in Albany, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof. Dated this first day of March, 1912. DORA BLAINE FLOOD, Administratrix of Philip Mathew Flood, deceased. W. R. BLYEU, Attorney.