

PROMOTING SMALL FRUIT TRACTS

Logan Berries Declared to Offer
An Ideal Juice For Soft
Drinks.

WITH A DRY STATE
BIG DEMAND EXPECTED

A Credit Man Offers Loans on
Tracts For Business and
Promotion.

Promoting the raising of small fruits, Chas. M. Miller, of Portland, of the Portland Heating company, met this morning with the fruit committee of the Albany Commercial club. Mr. Miller also, of course, had in view the promotion of the company he represents. The two have to work together. The arrangement is for the company to loan money to men with small tracts, to assist them until they get on their feet. This part seems to cover quite a large field, from the tract itself to machinery to be used. Evaporators are being specialized now, a necessary thing in small fruit culture. In the consideration of the small tract proposition Logan berries were particularly enlarged upon, the possibilities of this berry being large. On account of the large sections of country going dry salmon men are looking for soft drinks to take the place of the hard drinks. Mr. Miller said that in Portland a special study is being made of the subject. Of the berries he has studied he considers the Loganberry the best. Its juice has a very pleasing flavor, one that is bound to be popular. Besides this the Loganberry is probably the best keeper of all the berries. The juice will remain sweet in cases where other juices sour. While in the city Mr. Miller called at most of the soft drink places and called for Loganberry juice in order to test its universality finding it in good condition. Raising Loganberries for the dried product has practically been a failure, hence this new field offers big opportunities. While the commercial club will not act as a body, the members who have considered the proposition, are pleased with the small fruit promotion. Anything that will accomplish results along this line deserves advancing. This is in keeping with the movement for the establishment of the Growers' association here, one that is meeting with great favor. Mr. Miller's company in connection with it offers to take stock and turn it over to those unable to put up the money now, as fast as paid for.

Advance Checked.
(By United Press Association)
London, April 27.—The allies are checking the German drive north of Ypres, the official report from Field Marshal French said. Gen. French's forces have recaptured Hetasas and there is confidence that attacks upon Ypres were repulsed. The British offensive south of St. Julien is progressing slowly.

Went to Lincoln County.
Prof. Jones, editor of the Oregon School Journal, of Salem, passed through the city this noon for New-Port to attend the Lincoln County Teachers' association. Stas Superintendent Churchill will go tomorrow.

Prominent Masons Here.
W. C. Bristol, grand master of the Masons, of Oregon, and J. F. Robinson, the veteran grand secretary, arrived this noon from Eugene, and were met at the depot by a delegation of prominent Masons, who conducted them down street and saw that they had a good lunch. They will meet tonight with the local lodge, an assurance of a large attendance and a good time. Neighboring lodges have been invited.

BRIDGE CARPENTER KILLED NEAR SUMMIT

Chas. V. Pepin, a member of the bridge gang of the Corvallis and Eastern was recently killed near Summit. The men followed a freight train on their handcar, hanging hold of the rear of the train in order to save pumping. Pepin lost hold of the car and fell forward ahead of the handcar finally falling and the car ran over him, hitting his neck, which was broken. The body was taken to Corvallis, and yesterday a coroner's inquest held, the verdict being that the deceased came to his death accidentally.

SHEPHERD SAYS GREATEST DUEL IN HISTORY

Explosions So Heavy As to
Rock the Earth For Miles
on All Sides.

By William G. Shepherd.
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Headquarters British overseas expedition northern France, April 26, 10 p. m., via London, April 27.—The greatest artillery duel in the history of the world is in progress on the sea to a point south of Ypres. Even artillery experts at British headquarters will not venture a guess as to the number of guns in use on both sides, but it runs far into the thousands. Their discharge and the explosion of shells, rocks the country as though by an earthquake. The expenditure of ammunition in a great battle is absolutely fabulous. As far as the glass can carry, one could see white bursts of exploding shrapnel, blackening the clouds from the exploding giant guns of the Germans, as the great artillery fight went on.

OREGON AUTHOR WHO HAS MADE GOOD

Dennis H. Stovall, of Fernwood
Makes \$2500 Yearly Writing
Short Stories.

Over the other side of Corvallis on a farm called Fernwood resides a quiet, well behaved man, whom the writer has known well for fifteen or twenty years, Dennis H. Stovall. He doesn't go around with a brass band, like some writers, but keeps shanking away at his typewriter, writing short stories for the magazines, with more orders than he is able to fill. His income from this is approximately \$2500 a year. Besides this Stovall has written some long stories, one, Suzanne, a very interesting Southern Oregon mining novel, with a pretty love feature to it, which the writer has at his home. B. W. Johnson, once editor of the Corvallis Gazette-Times, afterwards P. M. for numerous years, now asserts that he gave Stovall his start, the encouragement he needed for getting into the writing game.

City News

Gave a Farm to School.
The Eugene Bible School has received a gift of 160 acres of land valued at \$8,000, presented the school by Miss Maria Porter, of Linn county. The land is situated between Harrisburg and Colburn. The farm is rented, and the school will get the benefit of the income. The school is endeavoring to raise an endowment of \$250,000, having a promise of \$50,000 from J. J. Hill when this is done. Rev. G. S. O. Humbert has charge of the endowment.

Not Ingenuous.
The types made the Democrat say that a whiskey circular received was an ingenuous one; it was simply ingenuous, being cutely gotten up. Far from being ingenuous, which means open, frank, upright, honorable, etc. Trying to get people in a dry territory to send away for liquor, shipped in packages that deceive, is certainly not open and frank, but the opposite. The circular as gotten up is the work of a genius.

Williams Funeral Yesterday.
The funeral of Mrs. H. J. Williams, who died at the home of her cousin, Judge J. J. Whitney Sunday morning, was held from the Fortmiller chapel yesterday afternoon. Rev. F. H. Geselbracht, officiating. Deceased came to Albany two weeks ago from British Columbia in the hope of improving her health, but gradually sank. She was 59 years old. Interment was held in Riverside cemetery.

Returns from Trip.
W. M. Schultz, who has just returned from a six months' trip in the middle west, left for Silverton this morning. On his way home he stopped at San Francisco. He says that statements that the concessionaires at the fair and merchants in the city are overcharging and holding up the people is false. He says that meals are very reasonable and found the best possible treatment on every hand.

Will Undergo Operation.
Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Millard went to Portland this morning where Mr. Millard will undergo another operation for ulcers of the stomach. This is the third operation he will have had for that trouble, and expects to be entirely cured when he returns.

Will Motor from Salem.
Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Shaw went to Salem on the morning electric and this afternoon they will drive to their home in Mill City in an auto.

The Weather.
Fair tonight and Wednesday. The temperature yesterday ranged between 75 and 42 degrees. The river stands at 2.6 feet above low water.

ASPHYXIATED BOMBS' WORK

English and French Charge
Germans With Extreme Cru-
elty By Modern Methods.

VIOLENT EFFORT TO
GET TO CHANNEL

Claimed Soldiers Are Asphyx-
iated and Then Bayoneted
in the Trenches.

(By United Press Association)
London, April 27.—Under rain of shells from heavy guns, accompanied by a fierce rifle fire and over all hanging the deadly fumes of German asphyxiating bombs, the fighting in Flanders in a terrific attempt of the Germans to break the allied line continues without a sign of diminution. The Belgians recaptured the village of Luzerne on the main line of the German advance, according to an announcement issued from the press bureau. The Belgian losses are admitted to be extremely heavy, but the Germans also are said to have suffered greatly and finally were repulsed. That fighting of the greatest violence has broken out at all points through Flanders is indicated by the press bureau announcement.

Paris, April 27.—Stories of the terrible effect of the asphyxiating gases used by the Germans in their attacks in the vicinity of Ypres were brought here by the wounded arriving from the front. Extreme cruelty is charged to have been driven bayonets through French soldiers helpless by deadly gases. As the fumes swept over the front trenches, the French soldiers were rendered unconscious, though unharmed, and fell in their tracks, according to the stories of the wounded. The Germans then leaped forward and, without opposition occupied the trenches, bayoneting the prostrate Frenchmen where they lay.

Italy and the War.
(By United Press Association)
Rome, April 27.—The German and Austrian ambassadors have sent joint copies to Italy's latest demands to Vienna, according to reports in diplomatic circles tonight. With the demands they declared they have forwarded a statement to the Italian government demanding an immediate answer. The nature of the demands are not known.

Knights of Pythias Banquet.
The west enders of the K. of P.'s last night gave a fine banquet at the hall in honor of the East Enders, who had beaten them in a contest for new members. Lyon street was the division line. Besides the enjoyable banquet there was initiation. The K. P. lodge is in a very flourishing condition.

Tale of a Hat, Musical Comedy.
Brilliant, catchy music, witty lines and ridiculous situations so connected that those who listen laugh because they know from experience everything in "The Tale of a Hat", has made of Mrs. Adams' musical comedy an immense success as a church entertainment from coast to coast. The parts for the coming performance in Albany are especially well taken by a cast that would be hard to equal anywhere, and under the direction of the author promises many delightful surprises.

The demands for tickets has already begun, and the Methodist ladies expect to begin an active selling campaign at once. Monday, May 3 is the date and the M. E. church the place.

ODD FELLOWS CELEBRATE NINETY-SIXTH ANNIVERSARY

A packed hall greeted the exercises commemorating the ninety-sixth anniversary of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows at the rooms of Albany lodge No. 4, last night. The meeting was public in nature and a large number of non members attended. There were also many out of town members present. The high school orchestra played during the evening and the following excellent program was given:
Orchestra.
Vocal, Mrs. Marquam
Piano, Rev. G. H. Young
Address, Miss Hockensmith
Address, Rev. Geo. W. Taylor
Duet, Miss Worrell, Mrs. Van Nuy
Orchestra.
Address, Rev. G. H. Young
Vocal, Mrs. Kelly
Benediction, Rev. Geo. W. Taylor
Orchestra.

Auto Party Here.

Two automobiles conveying the following men, were in the city this morning: Frank Murray, of San Francisco, C. A. McGee, of Vancouver, Wn.; Chester A. Moores, of the Oregonian; T. J. Mullen, of the Oregon Journal; Douglas Shelor, of the Telegram; Harry C. Hayes and Mel G. Johnson, northwest representative for the Buick auto Co. They were in Buick cars and are collecting data for the Buick Co. One car will go to the state line and the other will proceed to San Francisco.

Woodworth Attends Meeting.
D. O. Woodworth, president of the Oregon State Pharmaceutical Association, left for Portland on the morning electric to attend a meeting of that body there today. At this meeting it will be decided whether the next meeting will be held in San Francisco or not.

DOUKHOBORS CALLED ON WITNESS STAND

Trial Is Slow Because the
Russians Can't Understand
English.

The second day of the trial of the Society of Independent Order of Doukhobors vs. B. J. Hecker and wife, to recover money paid on property in the southern part of the county which the plaintiffs now declare worthless, has revealed very little information of a real news value. But three witnesses have been examined. Yesterday M. F. Reabin was placed on the stand and continued over until 10:30 this morning. His testimony and examination was designed to bring out the fact that he was not an agent of Mr. and Mrs. Hecker, although he did receive a commission for making the deal, but was acting for the Doukhobors, because he was the only one of the society who could talk English. The prosecution tried to prove that he received money from both parties and influenced his countrymen to buy where he could get the most money.

Walter Eaton, formerly of this city, but now county surveyor of the new Jefferson county, was called and occupied the stand until about 11 o'clock. His testimony related to the surveying and platting of the land, of which work he had charge. Then A. Vereschagin took the stand and was questioned by the attorney for the plaintiffs until 2 this afternoon when Gail Hill, for the defense, began the cross examination. From now on the work of both sides of the case will be to get from the remaining witnesses whether or not the land is what was represented, and if it will produce up to what was claimed for it. If the whole representation of Doukhobors is examined at the rate at which the first witness was put through, the trial will last for some time. The work is made slow on account of having to put every question and answer through the interpreter, W. H. Galvani, of Portland, who is assisting in the case.

NATHANIEL RISLEY CALLED BY DEATH THIS MORNING

Prominent Resident of Albany
and G. A. R. Member Passes
Away at Age of Eighty.

Nathaniel C. W. Risley was called by death at 6:00 o'clock this morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Malcolm McAlpin, 207 East Third street. Deceased was 80 years old, having been born September 1, 1834, in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Mr. Risley was a Civil War veteran, having served three years under General Sherman. He took part in Sherman's famous march to the sea, and fought in the battles of Vicksburg, Mission ridge, Tennessee. Look Out Mountain and other well known conflicts of the war. He was a member of Co. E, 63rd Illinois Volunteer Infantry, and was mustered out January 1, 1864, at Huntsville, Alabama. He was a member of McPherson post, G. A. R., and was formerly commander here.

He came to Oregon in 1880, and has resided here ever since. He leaves one son, Joshua M. Risley, of Twist, Washington, and three daughters, Mrs. Ella Thomas, Mrs. Rocky Willis, and Mrs. Malcolm McAlpin. A fourth daughter, Ada Risley, died some time ago, and the wife died in 1910.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the residence of M. McAlpin, with Rev. G. H. Young, of the Baptist church in charge of the services.

Eighth Tax Turnover.
The eighth turnover of 1914 taxes was made yesterday by Tax Collector Francis, amounting to \$7099.66, including \$15.81 penalty.

Van Winkle Appointed.
J. S. Van Winkle has been appointed by the county court to represent Linn county at the World's Fair at San Francisco, and he will leave for his duties tomorrow. It is planned to keep a man at the fair during the Summer months to tell the people about Linn county and send as many this way as possible.

Auto Party Here.
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MISS HOCKENSMITH IN RECITAL TOMORROW NIGHT

The Albany College Conservatory of Music will present in recital tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock Miss Hazel Alene Hockensmith. Miss Hockensmith is a pupil of Miss Wilma Waggener in piano and pipe organ. The recital will be held at the First Presbyterian church. The ushers will be the Misses Beatrice Sanders, Corintha Hart, Enla Hand, Carolyn Wright, Ruth Fisher, and Inez Lemke.
Bach, 1685-1750—Bourree from Second Violin-Sonata.
Beethoven, 1770-1827—Sonata op. 14, No. 1. Allegro, Allegretto, Rondo.
MacDowell, 1861-1908—(a) To the Sea, "Ocean Thou Mighty Monster" (b) A. D., MCCXX. (c) March Wind.
Liszt, 1811-1886—Dream of Love No. 2.
Chopin, 1809-1849—Polonaise, op. 40, No. 2.
Organ, Johnston—Evensong.
Schubert, 1797-1828—Tausig—1841-1871—Marche Militaire.

ROAD PLANER AN ALBANY INVENTION

Fred Erickson Has Applied For
Patent For Good Looking
Machine.

WILL TRY IT OUT
IN LINN COUNTY

Planer Has Feature That Pro-
mises to Make It a Success
in Road Building.

Fred Erickson, the contractor, returned last evening in his car from Salem. Though a very busy man this past year, erecting the post office building, Mr. Erickson has had time to work on a road planer, for which he has applied for a patent. It looks like a fine thing, an invention that will take with county courts, an improvement on anything yet seen. It is made of steel, 12 feet long by about 2-1/2 feet wide, convex, with sharp knives in front and behind, and weighing about 1700 pounds. The great thing about it though, are runners, which will keep the machine from dropping into holes, filling holes with the scraped dirt as it is drawn up towards the center of the road. The estimated cost is approximately \$150; but the exact amount is not yet known. About three teams will be required to run it. One of the big needs is a machine of this character that is effective, obtainable at a reasonable price. Mr. Erickson is making arrangements to bring the machine here and try it out first in Linn county. A model has already been experimented with, doing good work.

(By United Press Association)
Rome, April 27.—Italian ambassadors to Paris, London, Vienna, and Berlin were summoned to Rome for a conference, with the premier and his cabinet, according to message received today.

Have Consolidated Lines.
(By United Press Association)
Paris, April 27.—The French have consolidated their lines north of Ypres and are now progressing. This was an announcement of the war office, but no details of the fighting raging in Belgium were given. In the counter attack delivered Monday evening Hartmannswillerkopf was recaptured by the French forces and some prisoners taken, it is stated.

Mrs. P. J. Morgan went to Mill City this morning to visit her sister. Mayor L. M. Curl was a passenger to Salem on an early electric.

A. J. Rahn left for a business trip down the west side this morning. Frank J. Miller, state railroad commissioner, passed through the city this morning, enroute to Salem from the scene of the awful automobile accident near Creswell Sunday morning.

D. J. Quinn and wife returned to Astoria this morning.

Fighting on the Yser.
(By United Press Association)
Berlin, April 27.—Admission is made that the Germans evacuated Lizerine on the west bank of the Yser canal in an official statement. It is denied the French have retaken Hartmannswillerkopf in Alsace. The statement declared that despite the evacuation of Lizerine, the Germans are still holding the bridge head on the left bank of the Yser. Losses by the British are declared to be "extraordinarily heavy."

Will Have Golden Wedding.
Invitations have been issued for the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Blain, May 11. It is confined to the families and those who were present at the wedding, of whom there are several alive here and elsewhere.

A. G. N. Man Here.
Lee B. Tierney, travelling passenger agent for the Great Northern was in town today in the interest of travel on Jim Hill's well equipped thoroughfare. He favors a trip to the Yellowstone Park, the finest in the world. Like all railroad men Tierney is a very "meetable" man.

Two Coffins at Depot.
At the S. P. depot this noon there were a couple of coffins, with bodies, passing through. One of them was that of Sarah Rosalia Carrico, who died at Lebanon, whose remains were being taken to Mt. Angel for burial. The other was that of J. M. Taylor, who died at Corvallis, who was being taken to Portland for burial.

New Pheasant Suits Here.
A number of the uniforms for the Albany Pheasants arrived at the Toggery this morning and are being distributed today. They are cream serge and will make a fine showing when worn by the marching club at public functions. Members who have not yet ordered are urged to place their orders at one of the local stores as soon as possible.

Miss Wright to Homestead.
Miss Willetta Wright daughter of G. W. Wright, and one of the most popular members of the faculty of Albany high school, left Sunday morning for Drusey, about 25 miles from Burns, Oregon, where she will file on a homestead. Miss Wright's place will join that of her sister, Mrs. Nelson Wilbur, who recently moved there from Idaho. Miss Wright will return this week to finish her school year at the high school and return during the summer to take up her actual residence.

AVERY HELD AT CORVALLIS FOR THE GRAND JURY

Evidence Said to Be Strong
Connecting Him With the
Murder of Purdy.

The preliminary hearing of George Avery, charged with the murder of William Purdy was held at Corvallis yesterday afternoon. Waiving examination Avery was held for the grand jury, which meets July 6. The Gazette-Times says there is a diversity of opinion as to the guilt of Avery, but that the evidence looks strong against him, connecting him with the deed. He was said to have been in Independence Thursday or Friday before the murder, getting some liquor. He is said to have been in several fights before, using a knife; that he is quiet and respectable when sober, but has a reputation for wanting to cut somebody when intoxicated; that on three different occasions he drew a knife on Chief Wells. The wound on Purdy's body showed that the weapon used was a sharp instrument, narrow at the point, widening to five-eighths of an inch. There is said to be evidence that Avery and Purdy were together on Friday night before the murder.

GOL. ROOSEVELT CHAFED DURING LETTER READING

Old Correspondence Rehashed
After Years to Show Polit-
ical Intrigue.

(By United Press Association)
Syracuse, April 27.—While Colonel Roosevelt chafed and fidgeted in the witness chair, letter after letter was read in court tendin to show the close political relations that formerly existed between the former president, Boas Platt and Boss Barnes. Today's session was given over largely to the reading of letters. The counsel for Barnes produced fifty letters from close relations during the closing months of the colonel's administration as governor and also while he was vice-president and president. No startling political disclosures were made as a result of the reading of the correspondence.

City News

Out at Wait Mead's.
Mr. and Mrs. Lowe, of Portland, and Mrs. Armstrong, of Canada, are in the city this afternoon the guests of Wait Mead and family of this city. The visitors are all former fellow citizens of Mr. Mead and family, at Chester, N. Y.

The Shakespeare Club.
The Shakespeare club is making arrangements for the event of the year, in the club's life, this week, with a banquet at the Hotel Albany Friday evening, followed by a meeting at the home of A. C. Schmitt.

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MISS HINCKLEY IS ALBANY MAID

Chosen to Represent City at
Big Eddy Celebration
May Fifth.

F. M. REDFIELD AND E. D.
CUSICK SELECTED TO SERVE

Mayor Curl and Commercial
Club Officers to Be Present
at Oregon City Affair.

The regular weekly meeting of the executive committee of the Commercial club was held in the club rooms last night and several matters of importance considered. The main business last night was the naming of delegates to represent Albany at The Dalles and Oregon City celebrations, May 5th and 6th.

A communication from The Dalles Celilo Celebration committee asking this club to select a young lady to participate in the ceremonies pertinent to the opening at the Dalles Celilo canal at Big Eddy, Oregon, May 5th, and that she carry with her a bottle of water from the Calapooia river, was read and on motion this club recommended to the city council that Miss Beulah Hinckley be so selected. The transportation expenses of Miss Hinckley will be divided jointly between this club and the city of Albany. The secretary was instructed to communicate to the city council its action in this matter.

On motion Mr. F. M. Redfield was empowered to act with Hon. E. D. Cusick heretofore selected, to represent this club at Big Eddy and other points in the celebration of the opening of The Dalles-Celilo canal. A communication from the Oregon City Commercial club asking the participation of this club in the ceremonies incident to the opening of the Oregon City locks in that city on May 6th was read and on motion the secretary was instructed to accept the same on behalf of this club, and notify the Oregon City Commercial club that these officers would endeavor to be present upon that occasion.

Mr. Miller, of the Oregon Heating company, of Portland, spoke to the club at some length upon the efforts of his organization in their work and experiments looking toward the conservation of the by-products of the fruit of this section. Mr. Miller's talk was very interesting and on motion he was invited to meet with the Fruit Association committee at 10:30 a. m. today.

"CLEAN UP AND PAINT UP" WEEK

Portland, Or., April 27.—Governor Withycombe has advised that the entire state devote the period of May 4 to 11, inclusive, to the cleaning and painting up of unsightly back yards and buildings. Mayor Albee has designated the same dates for the same work in Portland, and to insure that the work is done, and well done, the Portland Chamber of Commerce has appointed a committee from among its most energetic members to organize the different sections of the city in effective units and exercises a general supervision over the work.

It is almost certain that the present year will see a greater movement of tourists and visitors to Portland, and to all other sections of Oregon, than during any years since the Lewis and Clark fair, and a concerted and persistent campaign should be carried on to make city and state more attractive than any other section of the Northwest. California and Washington have been widing painbrush and rake for a long time, and it only remains for Oregon to get to line and make it three of a kind.

GROWERS ASSOCIATION TO BE ORGANIZED MAY 8

The stockholders of the new Growers' association will be asked to meet at the commercial club rooms, in this city on May 8, at 10 o'clock, a. m., when this very important organization will be put into actual existence as a live force in this part of the state. Two or three hundred have signed up, with between \$15,000 and \$20,000 stock taken. The rest, up to \$25,000 will undoubtedly be taken. A formal call for the meeting will be issued.