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NEW HOTEL TO BE FORMALLY OPENED

The Announcement Cards Were Issued Today for Big Event at Hammel Hotel.

SPLENDID DINNER TO BE SERVED IN DINNING ROOM

Magnificent New Hostelry to Be Thrown Wide Open For Public Inspection.

Announcement cards were issued today for the formal opening of the new Hotel Hammel, to be held on April 9. It was announced before that the formal opening would take place April 2, but the date was deferred by the management on account of the grand opera in Portland, which started today and will run until the end of the week. This change was made because many local people who desired to attend the opening also wished to attend the grand opera and the two dates conflicted.

Over 500 announcement cards have been issued to local people and other people of the state. No regular invitations will be issued for the occasion and it is expected that only local people will attend, as the function is given mainly for the benefit of Albany people. The cards were sent out primarily to let the numerous patrons of the hotel abroad and hotel managers of the valley know that the new hostelry is now in full operation. This ceremony was performed by the management shortly after the hotel was opened informally about a month ago. It was the desire of the management to ascertain that everything pertaining to the working gears of the big hostelry was in first class working order before the building should be formally turned over to the public. Manager Hammel stated today that everything in connection with the hotel has proved to be perfectly satisfactory.

COOK QUITS HER JOB TO GO FOR A LEGACY

Heiress of "General Ryan, of London," Also Makes Husband Throw Up Job in Mill.

Patterson, N. J., March 31.—Mrs. Anna Nugent, employed for six years as cook in the Peterson House, in Market street, was putting the finishing touches on a kitchen range she had been polishing, when her employer, Mrs. Helen Fitzpatrick, thrust a cable message into her hand. The message was from London, and conveyed the information that Mrs. Nugent's uncle, "General Edward Ryan, of the Thirtieth regiment, had died, leaving Mrs. Nugent \$10,000.

MARY E. SHELTON WANTS DIVORCE FROM A. F. SHELTON

The Plaintiff Claims That Her Husband Is a Habitual Drunkard.

Because her husband is alleged to be an habitual drunkard and has violated his marital vows as a dutiful husband, Mrs. Mary E. Shelton has instituted suit for divorce against A. F. Shelton. The suit for divorce was filed yesterday afternoon in the county clerk's office and the plaintiff is represented by C. C. Bryant.

FARMERS UNION ORGANIZED HERE SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Charles Scholl, Elected President and M. C. Miller Was Elected Secretary.

A large number of farmers of Linn and Benton counties met in the circuit court room of the Linn county court house Saturday afternoon and organized themselves into a farmers' union. The purpose of this union is to promote the commercial interests of the farmer and the proposal of such a union met with the hearty support of the deeply interested farmers.

A. C. SCHMITT SPEAKS AT CORVALLIS MEETING

Local Banker Addresses the Members of Y. M. C. A. at the O. A. C.

Because of his activity in connection with the work of organizing the Young Men's Christian Association in this city, A. C. Schmitt of the First National bank was invited to address the members of the Oregon agricultural college Y. M. C. A. yesterday afternoon. A large crowd attended the meeting and the Albany banker was congratulated by members of the college faculty after the conclusion of his address.

PERSONAL MENTION.

John Berry left this morning for Foster to look after his property there. He has forty acres left of his 160-acre claim. Recently he sold fifty acres with a fine water power to Mr. White for \$1,000. Mr. White is said to represent Porter Bros. He is now making Foster his headquarters, and will soon open a bank there for business in that fast growing section. Many think Foster will be the town of that section when the Porter road gets in there.

EVERYBODY URGED TO ATTEND MEETING

Good Roads Is Subject of Regular Session of the Commercial Club Tonight.

JUDGE H. W. THOMPSON OF LANE COUNTY TO SPEAK

Other Practical Willamette Valley Road Builders May Speak.

Everybody interested in the future development of the roads of Linn county are urged to attend the big good roads meeting which will be held at the Commercial Club tonight. The meeting will convene at 7:30 o'clock and it is hoped that the club rooms will be packed with interested citizens, who will be given an opportunity to hear speeches from practical road builders of the Willamette Valley.

HE WILL PREACH THE GOSPEL OF GOOD ROADS

Judge Thompson Arrived This Noon from Eugene and Will Address Club Tonight.

Arriving this noon from Eugene, Judge Thompson of Lane county is here for the purpose of preaching the gospel of good roads to the business men of Albany. When seen at the New Hammel this afternoon Judge Thompson stated that the subject was one which was close to his heart and expressed the opinion that it would soon command the attention of every resident of the state. He will speak at the Commercial Club rooms this evening.

PRESBYTERIANS WILL MEET WEDNESDAY EVENING

Annual Congregational Meeting of U. P. Church to Be Held.

The annual congregational meeting of the United Presbyterian church will be held Wednesday evening at the church and every member of this denomination is urged to attend. A splendid supper will be served at 6:30 o'clock after which the business meeting will take place, the different boards of the church will report at the meeting and all of the business for the past year will be disposed of. Plans for the future will be discussed and it is probable that matters pertaining to the future of the church will be taken up and definitely decided upon.

H. W. Scott, of Waterloo, a former Albany real estate dealer, was in the city today. Twelve or fifteen young people of Lebanon, labeled B. A. V., went to Salem this afternoon to attend a convocation of their society. H. A. Nelson went to Harrisburg this afternoon on soda water business. Misses Bingley and Neid, well known milliners of Woodburn, are registered at the St. Francis. They arrived in the city yesterday and are friends of Miss Murphy, of the Chambers & McCune store. Mrs. Everett Davis and children, of Oregon City, left for home this morning after a visit with relatives here. This was their former home.

RIVER IS EXPECTED TO REACH MAXIMUM STAGE TONIGHT

No Danger of High Water at This Point Says F. M. French.

There is no danger of high water at this point according to a statement made this morning by the local displayman, F. M. French. At 7 o'clock this morning the river had reached the 17.8 foot stage and it is expected that by tonight the gauge will show that the water has reached the 20 to 21 foot stage. "There is no danger of high water here," said Mr. French this morning. "I received word this morning over the telephone from Eugene that the river had already begun to fall at that point, after reaching the 20 foot stage." According to the precipitation and weather reports compiled this morning by Mr. French, the rainfall for the last 24 hours is 60 inches and the range of temperature has been from 40 degrees to 47 degrees. The rainfall for the last three days has been 3.16 inches which is nearly a record for this length of time. The entire rainfall including the above mentioned figures for the entire month of March is 5.34 inches. This is a decided increase over the record for March last year, only 3.01 inches falling during the entire month. Mr. French stated that early this morning the river was rising at the rate of 3 inches per hour. Reports received by telephone this afternoon are to the effect that the waters of the Santiam and Calapooia are receding.

Paving Firm Sues Tillamook.

The following item of news is published by request of a local business man and is reprinted from the Oregonian under a Tillamook date line: "A suit filed by a number of citizens to enjoin the city council from making an assessment on property for the sewer and street pavement, and the failure of the council to make the assessment at a stormy session Monday night, led the Warren Construction Company to file suit in the circuit court yesterday against the mayor and council to recover \$103,524.59—being 80 per cent on account for grading, paving, curbs and bitulithic headers—and for \$37,749.72, being 80 per cent for the sanitary sewer system. It is charged that the company obtained the contract by "artful, subtle or secret means," and the property owners contend that the pavement was not laid according to the contract. "The case will be tried before Judge Galloway at the April term of the circuit court."

WAGON WHEEL HUB MIGHT BE CHANGED TO BICYCLE HUB

Fifty-Eight Registered Trains a Week Coming into Albany at Present.

That the Commercial Club will meet some time in the near future for the purpose of considering the advisability of changing the wagon hub, which has been used for some time to advertise this city as the "Hub City of the Willamette Valley," to a bicycle wheel hub, was intimated today by club authorities. A wagon hub denoting the city and the spokes representing the many railroads branching out at this point, has long been used on the commercial literature sent out to advertise Albany. Since this idea has been in vogue, railroads galore have been constructed into the city, thereby adding more spokes to the wheel. It is contended that a bicycle wheel with its many spokes would be more suggestive of the hub city at the present time as the additional spokes recently added to the wagon hub, make it an overbalanced wheel.

There are fifty-eight registered trains a week running into this city. Thirty-two trains come in over the Southern Pacific and its branches and twenty-six on the Oregon Electric. Several more will probably be added when the Portland, Eugene & Eastern arrives. At the present time Albany is unquestionably the largest railroad center in the state outside of Portland. This is an easily realized fact judging from the number of trains given above. Other railroad propositions are projected, which will add to the railroad facilities of this city. Included among them is the Albany & Interurban Railway, which has received considerable exploration through the press, and the proposed railroad to be built from the Cascade mountains to this city by Porter Bros., who recently purchased 116,000 acres in the Eastern portion of the county. This road will be built to develop the best holdings in that section.

Judd Ross, mail carrier, has received an order from the postal department to print his mail auto real, which he will proceed to do, under the new order of things. Lee Wade arrived this noon from Toledo.

JUDGE GALLOWAY GRANTS FIRST PAPERS TO 4 PERSONS

Become American Citizens and They Renounce Allegiance to France, Germany, Sweden.

Four persons went before Judge Galloway this morning just after court convened and renounced their allegiance to their respective countries and became American citizens. Gustav Swanson and Sigurd B. Carlsen, two Swedes, who have resided in Linn county for several years near Waterloo, appeared with two witnesses each and were sworn in as full fledged American citizens. Father Henry Louis Pelletan, a Catholic minister residing near Jordan, applied for citizenship papers. Father Pelletan is a native of France. Father Lane and W. A. Barrett of this city appeared as witnesses for the applicant and the first necessary papers granted. Christian F. Hinck, a German farmer of Eastern Linn county, also applied for citizenship papers, which were granted. Hinck prior to removing to this country, had taken out British citizenship papers in Canada, moving to that country from Germany.

NO RECORD FOUND OF THIS OLD U. S. LAND PATENT

Executed to John Fields for Land in This County During Administration of Jackson.

County Clerk Willard L. Marks received through the mail an old United States patent, which was issued during Andrew Jackson's administration to John Fields for lands in township 14 south range 1 west, district of land subject to sale at the land office at Oregon City containing 100 acres more or less. The document was sent to the county clerk by Mary A. Vernon of Eugene, who stated in a letter accompanying the document, that she had found it among some of her personal papers but was at a loss to account for it in her possession. The land designated on the patent is located in this county, but as far as known there is no record of the paper on the county recorder's books, and it is probable that it never has been placed on record. It bears the date of December 14, 1866. County Clerk Marks states that it will be of value to its owner or to the present owner of the land and it is his intention to hold it until the proper authorities claim it.

ALBANY SENDS CAR AND \$270 TO OHIO GOVERNOR

More Distress Existing in Ohio Than Other Places Decides Committee.

Deciding that there was more dire distress and suffering in Ohio because of the Middle West flood than in the other states, the committee in charge of the relief funds subscribed in this city towards the relief of the stricken people, sent a telegraphic money order for \$270 to Governor Cox of Ohio, today. One of the big box cars loaded and shipped from this city late Saturday afternoon with all manner of provisions, such as clothing and sustaining necessities, contributed by local people, was also consigned to Governor Cox. The following is a telegram sent to Ohio's chief executive by the local Commercial Club: Albany, Oregon, March 31, 1913.—Hon. James M. Cox, Governor of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio: Pacific Fruit Express car number fourteen six six, containing provisions and clothing, contributed by citizens of Albany, Oregon, shipped to you at Dayton on twenty-ninth. Have this morning wired Commercial National Bank at Columbus two hundred seventy dollars for relief of sufferers on your demand. Shocked at terrible calamity that has fallen upon your people, You have our deepest sympathy. Albany Commercial Club.

JUDGE GALLOWAY CONVENES COURT

Opened Department No 2 of the Circuit Court This Morning at 9 o'Clock.

DISPOSES OF DEMURRERS AND MOTIONS; SETS CASES

Divorces Will Occupy Much of Courts Attention; 18 Cases Are on This Docket.

Judge William Galloway convened the March term of his department of the circuit court this morning. The bar docket was run over and the judge disposed of several motions and demurrers and set cases for trial. There are 72 cases on the docket, 18 of which are divorce cases.

Action taken on all of the active cases of the docket, is not available at the present time, but, however, the court's decision on some of the cases was obtainable as follows: The cases of Travis Martin vs. Orpha King, et al. partition; Dixon State Bank vs. Joe M. Flaherty, et al. foreclosure of mortgage; and George W. McKey vs. Tillie Stoner McKey, divorce, were passed for the present time upon motion of attorneys in the cases. In the case of Sarah M. Cleaver vs. Ray Cleaver, partition, Attorney L. L. Swan for the plaintiff reported that the receipts have been filed and the court entered an order to discharge the referee. The case of O. S. Boyls vs. R. W. Tripp, for specific performance, was continued until next term of court upon motion of Attorney A. A. Tussing, of Brownsville, for the plaintiff. The case of Elizabeth Wiley vs. J. J. Whitney et al. injunction, which has been resting on a demurrer since the last term of court, was set for hearing tomorrow at 10 o'clock.

It is expected that a large grist of business will be put through by the court during the week and it is probable that court will not adjourn until some time next week. It is understood that the divorce mill will occupy much of the court's attention and aside from the 18 divorce suits on the docket the rest of the cases embody subjects of mortgage foreclosures, partitions, land titles, accountings and recovery of money.

The divorce cases on the docket are as follows: G. W. McKey vs. Tillie McKey, Dolly Knowland vs. Joe Knowland, Georgia Murtinger vs. John Murtinger, Cora Driver vs. Ralph Driver, R. M. Ankeny vs. Helen Ankeny, C. A. Hardesty vs. Myrtle Hardesty, J. M. Erskine vs. Carrie Erskine, Andrew P. Kerner vs. Laura Kerner, Mills Gilham vs. W. L. Gilham, Ellen Hazelton vs. W. S. Hazelton, Herbert Cross vs. Mary E. Cross, Arnette Mitchell vs. H. J. Mitchell, Edna Braden vs. C. R. Braden, H. Z. Thiarp vs. Lela Thiarp, Anna Brettenhauer vs. George Brettenhauer, Emma Carleton vs. G. W. Carleton, Cassie M. Chance vs. G. C. Chance, and Vesta Hatfield vs. Geo. Hatfield.

W. A. Bodine this afternoon left for the Linn County Orchard Co.'s orchard, east of Lebanon, where he will have charge of planting 80 acres of apples, Jonathans, Spitzenbergs, etc.