

CADET BAND WILL BE HERE THIS MONTH

Will Give Concert at Armory Under Auspices of Albany Military Club Dec. 31.

BAND WAS ORGANIZED AT COLLEGE 20 YEARS AGO

Has Been Under Leadership of Prof. Harry L. Beard for the Past Eight Years.

Albany people are looking forward with interest to the concert to be given at the armory at this city on the evening of December 31st by the splendid cadet band of thirty pieces of the Oregon Agricultural College which will appear here on that date under the auspices of the Albany Military Club. The band is to tour western Oregon during the holidays and the first concert will be given in this city.

The O. A. C. band, which is to tour western Oregon during the holidays, has been organized over twenty years. The organization is now in its eighth year under the leadership of H. L. Beard.

Mr. Beard is himself a graduate of O. A. C. in the class of '99. During his college course he was a member of the band, being a student leader over two years. Shortly after graduation he entered the army, where he played in the 35th Infantry band for two years in the Philippine islands, being promoted to the rank of principal musician.

Throughout his term of enlistment Mr. Beard devoted his time and energies to the study of the cornet and harmony under the instruction of Frank X. Heric, one of the best band-masters in the service. Since he has mustered out of the army, he has kept up the study of cornet, having studied two years under A. F. Weldon, one of America's best teachers of cornet.

Since taking charge of the college band in 1905, it has been the aim of Mr. Beard to cultivate a taste for the best there is in music. The band has rapidly improved and has become well known throughout the Northwest as a high-class musical organization. Many important engagements have been filled and many others have been refused because it is hard for a student organization to get away from school.

For this reason the band is taking its present tour during the holidays. The band will travel in a private car, and besides the regular players, there will be a vocalist, who will sing from grand opera, to the accompaniment of the full band.

One of the clarinet players, V. D. Colvig, better known as "Pinto, the Nightmare of Caricature," is an exceptionally good cartoonist. He promises a very interesting stunt to be put on during the intermission. With the easel, some large paper and crayon, he will furnish fifteen minutes of lively entertainment. He works with lightning rapidity and with a piece of crayon in each hand, he will actually draw two pictures at the same time.

The face of some well known person in each town will probably appear in the drawing before the stunt is finished.

The musical program will be selected from the works of such masters as Verdi, Wagner, and Rossini, Bizet, and others, while enough of the late popular music will be used that all tastes will be pleased. A detailed description of the program will be given later.

U. OF O. GLEE CLUB HELD BIG REHEARSAL LAST NIGHT

University of Oregon, Eugene, Dec. 10.—Tonight, the first dress rehearsal of the year was held by the Oregon Glee Club in preparation for the concert in the Albany theatre, next Friday evening. The club sang the ten or twelve rousing college airs and popular songs with a spirit and harmony that elicited from the experts present, "The best ever." The rehearsal has given the twenty odd members of the club a confidence which makes the concert in Albany and assured success. The selection of the music by M. L. Boman, the director of the club, has been most fortunate.

The Glee Club will go to Albany, Friday afternoon, and return the same evening, arriving in Eugene at 1:15 a. m. This will be the first time that an Oregon Glee Club has made a special trip to Albany to give a concert. A number of the students at the University from Albany are planning to go home for the concert.

E. Leon Carpenter of Salt Lake City, arrived in Albany last evening and has been looking after business matters in this city today.

J. G. Weisner of Lebanon returned home today after a short trip to this city on business.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Brown of Corvallis spent several hours in Albany yesterday afternoon on a Christmas shopping trip.

QUARTERLY INSPECTION OF 5TH CO. C.A.C. ON DEC. 2

Invitation Is Extended to the Public to Witness Drill on That Evening.

Invitations have been received announcing that the quarterly inspection of the Fifth Company, Coast Artillery Corps, O. N. G., of this city will be held at the armory in this city on the evening of Saturday, December 21, followed by a dance on the new floor which was recently placed in perfect condition by Portland experts at the expense of several hundred dollars.

The quarterly inspection will take place at 8 o'clock sharp, with Captain Frank M. Powell of this city as inspecting officer. The entire command has been ordered to report at the armory early in the evening in dress uniform, including black shoes and white gloves and collars. The inspection will probably consume forty-five minutes, including the drill which will follow the inspection.

The local company of coast artillery which is in command of Captain Frank M. Powell and Lieutenants Herman O. Stalnaker and Leonard R. Gilbert, is in excellent shape and the members are well drilled. The residents of this city are cordially invited to attend the inspection and a large crowd will be appreciated by the militiamen.

SLEPT 200 HOURS; DIED YESTERDAY AFTERNOON

Strange Case of Mrs. Harlan Puzzled Willamette Valley Physicians.

After being asleep for more than two hundred hours from which she only once showed signs of arousing from her slumber, Mrs. J. R. Harlan died late yesterday afternoon at the Corvallis hospital.

With five physicians in consultation over the strange case and with every art of medicine used to arouse the woman from her slumbers, it was impossible to save her life.

The deceased was over seventy years of age and had suffered for some time prior to death with spinal trouble. The physicians attributed her long sleep to a nervous condition brought about by this trouble.

This is the third case of this character in the Harlan family and in all three of the cases, none of the patients ever recovered.

Mrs. Harlan is an aunt of Mrs. Chas. Kiefer who resides at 1104 East Water street in this city. Mrs. Kiefer visited Mrs. Harlan at the hospital Monday morning.

LOCOMOTIVE IN CHASE OF RUNAWAY HORSES

Animals Stopped After Three-Mile Run and Collision With Train Is Averted.

Bridgeport, Conn., Dec. 10.—Jim and Sal, a spirited pair of roans owned by John Schaeffer, the farmer in charge of Ronald's castle at Newtown, have won the distinction there of being the only pair of runaway horses in the township that were ever chased by a locomotive.

John Hollan, station agent, who dispatched the engine after the horses, is being praised for averting the possible derailment of the Bridgeport express over the Berkshire division, through a collision between the train and the heavy lumber box wagon drawn by the frightened horses.

Schaeffer, accompanied by E. B. Beers, was driving the team through Newtown streets, when a nut broke and allowed the whiffletrees to drop upon the heels of the horses. That started them into a mad run. Both men tugged at the reins, but could not check the animals. At the railroad station both men were thrown out and the horses took to the tracks, running toward Hawleyville, four miles away, at breakneck speed. Hollan, the agent, telegraphed to Hawleyville to flag the express, and had an engine detached from a freight train sent after the runaways. There is a straightaway stretch for two miles from the station, and the horses were out of sight before the engine got under way.

The horses were no match for the locomotive. The engine overtook the runaways and ran behind them, slowing for several hundred feet, the engineer blowing his whistle terrifically. The horses ran to one side and the locomotive passed. The engine was stopped in a tunnel a mile from Hawleyville, and the horses were unable to pass. When they halted the fireman caught them. The express train was stopped by the station master at Hawleyville just as it was drawing out of the station.

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J. A. Heidecke of Detroit returned home this morning after spending yesterday in this city on business.

J. A. Wasson, a resident of Lebanon, was in Albany last evening on a short business trip.

VANWINKLER RETURNS FROM SALEM MEET

Open River Is Subject Under Discussion by Willamette Valley Delegates.

J. W. MORGAN OF CORVALLIS WAS ELECTED PRESIDENT

Data on Business Available Will Be Furnished Government by Commercial Clubs.

Returning last night from Salem where he attended the Open River meeting as a delegate from the Albany Commercial Club, J. S. Van Winkle reports an interesting meeting.

The meeting was called to order in the Board of Trade rooms at 7:30, with delegates from nearly every city and town in the Willamette Valley in attendance.

Major McIndoe, government engineer for the Pacific Coast district, was present and made a brief statement as to the necessity of insuring the active co-operation of the residents of the Willamette Valley if support is expected from the government. He pointed out that in other sections of the state, Port Districts have been formed through which every taxpayer benefited by the open river would be compelled to pay his share towards the improvement of the channel. He urged the various Commercial Clubs to prepare as much data as possible showing the tonnage available at the present time and the probable amount of business available for the future.

After the open river question was discussed by the delegates, J. W. Morgan of Corvallis was elected president and instructed to furnish blanks to the various commercial clubs for the data on the probable amount of traffic in the event the river is opened to navigation.

A committee was also requested to draft a resolution assuring the government that the people of the Willamette Valley will be glad to cooperate in raising funds for river improvements and suggesting that it be adopted by the various commercial clubs in the territory which will be benefited.

The meeting was adjourned to meet at the call of the newly elected president.

BROTHER OF ALBANY MAN IS KILLED BY THE CARS IN OHIO

O. E. Gilchrist of This City Receives Word Announcing the Death of His Brother.

O. E. Gilchrist, a brakeman employed on the Corvallis and Eastern railway and residing at 828 East Second street, received a telegram from Cleveland, Ohio, last evening stating that his only brother, Elton Gilchrist, who was employed as a brakeman on the Big Four railroad at Cleveland, had been accidentally killed by the cars while he was at his work. The telegram gave no particulars of the accident.

Mr. Gilchrist upon receipt of the telegram announcing the death of his brother immediately made arrangements to go East and left this morning at 4:30 o'clock for Cleveland to make arrangements for the funeral. He will be absent from Albany about three weeks.

E. L. WIEDER RESTING EASY AT HOME ON WASHINGTON ST.

E. L. Wieder, who was injured yesterday while enroute to Albany on a gasoline speeder from Pirtle station on the Oregon Electric, is not seriously injured and is resting easy today at his home on South Washington street.

His injuries consisted of a badly wrenched ankle and a cut about six inches long on the top of his head, and numerous bruises on various parts of the body. He will be confined to his home for about ten days at least.

Edmond M. Parker, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Parker, has accepted a position as abstract clerk with the Southern Pacific railway at Albany, having commenced his duties this morning. He graduated from the Albany High school last year and his friends predict that he will soon be advanced by the railroad company to a more important position.

Sarah E. Treudo has filed application for appointment as administratrix of the estate of the late M. William Giebler who died intestate on June 18 of the present year. The probable value of the estate is placed in the petition at \$275.00.

SEARCHING PARTIES FAIL TO LOCATE MISSING YOUTH

Paul Ackerman of Shedd's Believed to Have Committed Suicide.

Constable Catlin who has been working on the case of the mysterious disappearance of Paul Ackerman of Shedd's who on Sunday evening last fired several shots from a revolver at M. E. Nicewold who, accompanied by Miss Temple Brock, were driving along the road between Tangent and Shedd's, stated today that although he scoured the surrounding country thoroughly he found no trace of the missing man whom he believes has committed suicide.

Catlin stated today that he learned from the young man's father that his son had told him last Sunday morning that if Miss Brock didn't marry him he would commit suicide and nearly everybody to whom Catlin talked while at Shedd's on Monday are of the opinion that young Ackerman has made good his threat to end his life. Several parties of relatives and friends of the young man are searching the surrounding country but so far the search has been without avail.

ROSES OF ALL VARIETIES ARE STILL BLOOMING IN ALBANY

Balmy December Weather in the Willamette Valley; East Shivers With the Cold.

That hundreds of families in Albany will decorate their Christmas tables with roses picked from their yards is indicated by the fact that in yards and lawns throughout the city, roses of all varieties and colors are still in full bloom while the bushes are heavily covered with buds that will bloom within the next week.

The month of December which causes the Easterners to shiver with the cold and their fuel bills to assume startling proportions has no terrors for Oregonians who are enjoying perfect weather right now, and with Christmas but two weeks away at that.

Wonder how an Easterner would like to spend Christmas in Albany with roses blooming in the yards and the lawns covered with real green grass.

SUPERINTENDENT DAVIDSON INSPECTS STREET GRADE

Later Leaves for Gray Where He Made an Inspection of Branch Corvallis Road.

Arriving on the 11:10 train from Portland this morning, Superintendent A. J. Davidson of the Oregon Electric railway this afternoon inspected the Water street grade and gave out the statement that no effort would be spared in completing the work at an early date.

Later in the afternoon Superintendent Davidson left for Blevins (now named Gray) where he will inspect the work on the branch line from that point to Corvallis.

22 MORE BIRTHS THAN DEATHS IN NOVEMBER

The boys are still in the majority if the report of the county health officer of Linn county is to be considered as an authority, the report of that officer showing that there were 19 boys and 17 girls born during the month of November. The report also shows that there were 22 more births than deaths during the same month, the number of deaths being placed at 14 in the report.

DANCE GIVEN BY ALBANY ELKS LAST NIGHT WELL ATTENDED

A large crowd of the members of the local Elks lodge and their friends attended the annual lodge dance which was given in the ballrooms at the temple last evening. The grand march took place at nine o'clock and dancing was indulged in until the hour of midnight.

Fine music was furnished by the splendid Chautauqua Orchestra of ten pieces of this city which is becoming very popular in Albany.

One of the leading social events of the year was the Elks' ball which was held at the Temple last evening and attended by a large crowd of Elks and their ladies. A more complete account of the event will appear in the social column on Saturday.

S. C. Barnes of Albany is registered at the Portland Hotel, Portland.

Mrs. R. L. Sinson of Salem was visiting friends in this city yesterday afternoon. While here she was a guest at the St. Francis hotel.

J. C. HAMMEL AWARDED CUP BY POULTRY ASSOCIATION

Friends Enter Scrub Chickens in Landlord's Name and Award Him Huge Tin Prize.

On display in the lobby of the Revere hotel in this city is a large cup which was awarded to J. C. Hammel, the genial landlord of the hostelry, by the Central Willamette Poultry Association, as the sweepstakes on Hamiltonian chickens at the recent show.

The cup is not a silver one such as are usually awarded to prize winners at a poultry show, however, but is of solid tin and was made especially for Mr. Hammel at one of the local tin shops. Attached to the cup is a wide purple ribbon nearly two feet long upon which the inscription "sweepstakes" appears in white.

During the recent poultry show in this city, a number of Hammel's friends thought it would be a good joke to enter a coop of scrub chickens in his name and accordingly they set to work and secured three hard looking hens and a rooster which they placed in a coop big enough for a dozen hens. On the coop was placed a placard which announced that the chickens were of the famous Hamiltonian variety and had been entered by the landlord of the Revere. After the show had closed the tin cup and blue ribbon were presented to Mr. Hammel.

W. P. PERRY PASSES AWAY LAST NIGHT IN LOS ANGELES

News of Death Was Received in Albany This Morning by Miss Clara Perry, A Daughter.

Miss Clara Perry of this city received a telegram this morning from Los Angeles bearing the sad news that her father, W. P. Perry, passed away in that city last night, after a short illness, at the age of 73. The deceased had been a resident of Los Angeles for eight years and prior to that time lived in Iowa at Burlington. The deceased has visited in this city on several occasions during the past few years and will be remembered by many Albany people.

The deceased left to mourn his death a wife, three daughters, Mrs. W. S. Martin of Los Angeles, Miss Emma Perry of Los Angeles, and Miss Clara Perry of Albany, and two sons, Rev. W. M. Perry, of Ontario, Cal., and O. E. Perry of Albany. The remains will probably be buried in Los Angeles.

LINN HAS 500,000 ACRES OF MERCHANTABLE TIMBER

Chief Fire Warden Gives Interesting Figures on Value of Timber Holdings.

That there are over 500,000 acres of merchantable timber in Linn county of the probable value of \$100,000,000 per acre was the statement made this morning to the Democrat representative by John Marrs, chief fire warden for this district.

Mr. Marrs is now engaged in preparing a map which when finally completed will show the exact amount of merchantable timber in the county and other data on the timber business which will be of inestimable value to those engaged in this industry.

Mr. Marrs enjoys the distinction of being the most successful fire fighter in the state and his administration of the affairs of his office in Linn county has attracted a great many favorable comments.

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN SOCIAL IS A GREAT SUCCESS

One of the most successful socials in the history of the United Presbyterian church was held last evening. A short but excellent musical program was prepared for the occasion and refreshments served by the ladies of the church. A guessing contest in which the names of members and Sabbath school children were used, was one of the most interesting parts of the program.

Mr. and Mrs. George Edelman and family who left Albany last year for Nebraska after living in this valley for a year or more, have returned to this city and are better satisfied than ever that this is the only place in the world in which to live.

Miss Lila Patton of Halsey is officiating as one of the clerks in the jewelry establishment of F. M. French and Son during the holidays.

L. W. Smith, a well known resident of Lyons, was transacting business in this city yesterday afternoon. He returned home this morning.

Miss Lillian Thacker of Corvallis a former Albany girl, was in the city last evening on a short visit.

CITY COUNCIL WILL MEET THIS EVENING

Location of New City Hall May Be Discussed by City Dads at this Session.

TWO SITES NOW BEING CONSIDERED FOR THE BUILDING

Many Favor Locating Structure West of Lyon Street Near the Other Public Buildings.

One of the questions that will probably come before the city council this evening for discussion and action is the matter of the location of a city hall which has been hanging fire for the past few years on this question, some of the councilmen being in favor of the city hall being located on the west side of Lyon street and others favoring the east side.

Last week a proposition was made the city by the firm of Collins and Taylor, real estate dealers of this city, to trade the city the corner property at First and Baker streets for the property now owned by the city on Lyon street between First and Second streets and occupied at present by the engine house of Company No. 2.

At the time the proposition was read in the council, many of the councilmen considered it to be a good trade and it is believed by many that the terms made by the real estate men will be accepted in the near future and that the corner at First and Baker streets will eventually become the site of the proposed city hall. It is also said that a site on Fourth street between Baker and Lyon is being considered for the location of the city hall, but this could not be verified.

The location of a city hall east of Lyon street is opposed by many of the residents of Albany who are of the opinion that this building should be located as near as possible to the business section and to the other public buildings, including the postoffice which will be erected at the corner of Second and Broadlamb streets; the Linn county courthouse; public library, which will be erected at the corner of Third and Gray streets; and other buildings for the use of the public.

In other words, a civic center is favored in Albany, with all of the public buildings located as near each other as possible which would make it convenient for the public and much more attractive to visitors to the city. It is also desired to have the city hall where it will be seen by people who visit the city.

A WIDOW LIVES ALONE FOR TWENTY YEARS

Gives Hand to Next Door Neighbor; Now Two Farms Are One.

Lead Hill, Ark., Dec. 10.—Living absolutely alone in her cabin on a little ridge farm of 20 acres four miles from Lead Hill, has become so tiresome to "Widow" Matilda Atkinson, 70 years old, that she has renounced that sort of life and given her hand in marriage to "Old Bob" Motley, 67 years old, and the two small farms which formerly adjoined will now be one.

Mrs. Atkinson came to this country 35 years ago from Texas. She came with her brother-in-law, former Sheriff John Atkinson, and took a small homestead. Her daughter and a sister lived with her until 20 years ago, when the sister married and the daughter died. Since that time she has lived alone and cultivated her little farm.

She never came to town and was seldom seen except by those who caught a glimpse of her as they passed her home on the road to Harrison. Bob Motley, her nearest neighbor, was a widower. He did her trading in town for her and sometimes assisted her in the gathering of her winter firewood. This association resulted in the marriage yesterday. Justice of the Peace W. H. Holt of Lead Hill was called to the Atkinson farm to perform the ceremony.

J. B. Coughlin, a local carpenter, was a passenger on the electric to Gray station, formerly Blevins, where he will look after matters on his farm in that vicinity.

H. M. Betts, a business man of Centralia, Washington, was a visitor in this city yesterday afternoon.

W. M. Parker, the genial grocer, left this afternoon for his leased hunting grounds near Blevins where he will spend the day slaughtering ducks.

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