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AURORA, OREGON.

### BY THE MAIL ROUTE.

Newsy Letters from Our Alert Correspondents.

News of the Different Nearby Localities Prepared in Style and Dished up in a Palatable Manner.

#### FROM HUBBARD.

M. S. Schrock went to Portland this week.

Quite a crowd attended the Hubbard-Canby ball game at Aurora Sunday. It was a close game, resulting in a victory for Canby.

Howard Eccles visited Woodburn Sunday.

Quite a number of Woodburn wheelmen passed through Hubbard en route to Aurora Sunday.

The bicycle paths are in good condition for this time of year and with a small amount of labor can be made good for this season.

Walter Noblitt has purchased a half interest in the livery stable. The boys have added some new rigs and teams and are working up a good trade.

Miss Van Orden is visiting with her folks near Hubbard.

Shirley Buck was in town Saturday looking after his various interests.

David Scoll attended divine services in Aurora last evening.

Knight & Su-bauer handle all the latest bicycle sundries.

George Knight visited Aurora Sunday.

#### AU REVOIR.

#### FROM BUTTEVILLE.

The oldest Native Son in Oregon is Lewis Labonte. He was born in the year 1818, where the town of Astoria now stands, there being but one store there at that time. He was born in September, but does not know the day of the month. At that time there was a fort there known as Fort George and also the American Fur Co. was located there. This company sold out to the Northwest company, which sold out to the Hudson Bay Co. He was the first Native Son to be taken into Litteville's new cabin and I think he is the oldest Native Son in Oregon. The store mentioned was first owned by the American Fur Co. which sold to the Northwest Co. and then it was sold to Hudson Bay Co.

After the meeting of the Native Sons Tuesday evening a very delicious lunch was served in the old Bergevin farm.

The Native SS will dedicate their new cabin Friday, April 20, 1900.

#### FROM CANBY.

Wm. Covey is his wife to St. Vincent's hospital Portland Monday to be treated. Mrs. Covey's many friends hope that she will soon return fully recovered to health.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Miller of Oregon City visited latter's mother, Mrs. Wm. Bar, Sunday.

M. B. Quint Oregon City visited friends here this week.

Don't forget last night of the literary, March 23.

Miss Eva Pitt has returned from Kelso, Wash. where she has been for some time.

The last of the parties was

given Wednesday evening by H. T. Melvin at the residence of C. H. Mills. W. B. Tull won the gentleman's prize, Miss Bessie Sheppard the lady's, W. C. Kendall the lone hand prize, Miss Viva Tull the consolation prize and W. W. Jesse has the honor of making the most eucres. The ladies served a delicious lunch. The parties have been a grand success this winter as well as the two previous years.

Well, Hubbard, you wish to "bury the hatchet," but I notice you have your little say out first. You accuse us of two things, both of which we most heartily deny, for the chairman that night is a man that would not be guilty of any unfairness. I would like to ask if school teachers are farmers?

#### From Woodburn.

Now that the Republican primaries are over more interest is taken in the city election, which comes off April 2. The saloonists and antis will hold separate caucuses next Monday night and select tickets.

S. Tomlinson talks of building a brick hotel.

The municipal election is strictly in doubt.

The Republican primary election was a hard fought one, 235 ballots having been cast. Notwithstanding the many Democrats voting against them, the following Poorman delegates were elected; O. D. Henderson, C. C. Hall, Peter Lucier, H. D. Brown, C. F. Leatherman, L. J. Priest, O. S. Pomeroy, H. L. Gill, O. E. Thompson and C. O. Boynton.

Adjutant General C. U. Gantenlein Wednesday night mustered in Co. D, O. N. G., in this city. There were 59 members sworn in. The officers elected are W. E. Frazier, captain; O. D. Henderson, 1st Lieut.; F. W. Sattlemier, 2d Lieut.

#### VERITAS.

#### From Canby.

Mrs. Herrin, grand chief of honor, organized a Degree of Honor here Monday night.

F. A. Sleight went to Oregon City Tuesday.

Mrs. M. J. Lee returned to Portland Tuesday, after a week's visit with relatives.

Mrs. W. H. Bair of Woodburn is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Knight.

Born, Tuesday, March 20, 1900, to the wife of H. C. Gilmore, a daughter.

J. A. Rydman and wife wheeled to Woodburn Sunday.

The greatest show of the season was in Canby Tuesday night.

School started Monday under the management of Miss Vesta Knight.

#### ANN X.

#### From Wilsonville.

A bicycle club was organized here Saturday, with the object in view of building bicycle paths in this section. Prof. Chas. Hansen, a scorcher, was elected president.

Mr. and Mrs. Corby of Woodburn are visiting with relatives and friends in this section.

Henry Miley having resigned the position of postmaster, Mrs. Wm. Plymale has been appointed in his place. Mr. Miley expects to engage in business in Portland.

T. W. McClincy of Washington is visiting with his son, E. S. McClincy.

H. A. Harm's team ran away on Main street the other day, but little damage was done.

John Buttson, a prominent farmer of Hoodview, was in town Saturday on business.

As it seems, Paul Kruger will soon be out of a job, why not invite him over to run for congressman in the first district?

#### PROFIT IN PRUNES.

Salem Journal.

In conversation with Jas. Winstanley of the O. H. G. A. another piece of testimony was developed of the superiority of Oregon prunes over those of California.

During the season of 1898 Mr. Winstanley sent to England samples of our prunes, both Italians and Petite, with a view to making a large shipment. For good reasons the deal was not consummated, but the quality of the fruit made a favorable and lasting impression upon the parties to whom the samples were sent.

This is shown by a letter received a few days ago by Mr. Winstanley from the dealer with whom he was in correspondence before, J. Gandy, of Warrington, an old acquaintance.

Mr. Gandy, who is a large dealer in fruit, speaks of the California prunes which he is handling, and says that they are the finest he has ever seen—excepting the samples sent by Mr. Winstanley.

This shows that the quality of our prunes speaks for itself and that in that one point we have the advantage of the California growers.

All that is required to put the prune business of Oregon upon a paying basis is intelligent action among the growers themselves. The prunes must be properly treated, and what is of fully as much importance, they must be properly packed in conformity with the ideas prevailing in the markets where the prunes are to be sold.

Prunes in dirty sacks may be just as good to eat as prunes in decorated cartons, but when we wish to sell prunes to people who will not buy them in sacks or bulk at any reasonable price, but will pay a fancy price for them in fancy packages, it would be wisdom on our part to place them in fancy packages.

The grower, or some organization in his interest should do this work and reap the benefits. It is now done to a great extent by dealers, who buy fruit graded and packed in the "hit or miss" Oregon style, regrade and re-pack it, more than doubling the price, and get more for their work than the grower got for both his work and his fruit.

California has learned these things, as well as some others, in regard to the fruit business and the result is that California prunes are known and used by millions of people who are not aware that Oregon prunes are superior in every way and perhaps never heard that prunes will grow in Oregon at all.

This is a matter in which the organization of the prune growers can be of vast assistance, and one of the first objects should be the dissemination among growers of information as to the conditions in the markets in which they desire to sell their product.

#### Marion's Temperance Ticket.

At an informal gathering of local temperance workers on Tuesday of last week in Salem the following nominations were made for county and legislative officers:

Representatives—F. P. Hurst, Aurora; J. R. Landon, Woodburn; L. H. Pederson, Brooks; J. H. Batty, Rosedale; Matt Brown, Silverton.

County Judge—Oliver Jory, Salem.

Commissioner—Matthew Small, Silverton.

Sheriff—S. B. Crocker, Turner.

Clerk—L. E. Gardner, Salem.

Recorder—B. G. Frazier, Salem.

Treasurer—John Hill, Hubbard.

Assessor—J. A. Taylor, Salem.

School Superintendent—A. J. Garland, Salem.

Do you want to buy one lot in Barlow, well located, cheap? If so inquire at this office.