

LOCAL BREVITIES

Scio can push forward if all will work for that end.

Jake Bilyeu, of Albany, was in town Monday.

Lagrippe has become about as fashionable as appendicitis.

A dance will be given at the I. O. O. F. hall next Saturday night.

If our local columns seem short of news this week, just charge it to lagrippe.

Our city council is now laying plans for street improvement this summer.

Snow fell most of the time last Sunday afternoon, but melted as fast as it fell.

We have clubbing rates with all newspapers and magazines. Come and see us before you order.

D. W. Rumbaugh, of Albany, attended the annual fair meeting in Scio Saturday.

From indications, Linn county, this year, will do the largest amount of road work in her history.

In making up your list of papers and magazines for winter reading, don't neglect to include The Scio Tribune in the number.

When you want information for live stock shipping days, call Thomas Large between 6 and 7 a. m. and between 6 and 8 in the evening.

We make a specialty of Friendship, Engagement and Wedding Rings. F. M. French & Son, Albany, Oregon.

Senator Jones, of Washington has introduced a bill in congress which, if passed, will double the pension of all civil war widows who are entitled to \$12 per month.

John Miller, of Marion county just across the bridge from Shelburn was in town Monday. He stated that nearly everybody over there was sick of the influenza.

If you want any of the daily papers, The Tribune will get them for you at Bargain Day rates, providing you pay for The Tribune one year in advance.

The god Janus is certainly endeavoring to establish a record in the month named in his honor, this winter. More snow has fallen, especially in the mountains, than for many years.

Two Linn county pioneers passed away last week, Joseph Elkins, of Lebanon and Nimrod Price, of Albany. Both were active in Linn county affairs several years ago.

A great many people have been suffering with lagrippe in town lately. Only a few cases have reached the pneumonia stage. This is a penalty Oregonians pay for frosty weather. Give us rain instead.

A collection was taken up Saturday for a family in town who was in need of assistance, by Thomas Large. The husband and father is sick and without money or grub. Mr. Large raised about \$20 in food and cash. This will tide matters until the husband is able to work.

J. N. Morris has traded his hotel property in Scio to H. W. Borchers for the three-acre tract in the southern part of Lebanon which was formerly used by the Lebanon Lumber Co. as their mill site and lumber yard. Each property is worth between \$1500 and \$2,000.—Lebanon Express.

A new train will operate on the C. & E. railroad in a few days, leaving the front to reach Albany at 8:30 a. m. and leaving Albany at about 5:00 p. m. for the front. This will be a great convenience to the people in this locality, as they can have a full day in Albany and return to their homes without staying over night as now.

GOOD SHOWING MADE ON COUNTY ROADS

County Court Issues Figures Showing Mileage of Graded and Graveled Roads Laid

County Commissioner J. D. Irvine who has been gathering statistics on the amount of work done on Linn county roads the past year this morning gave out the following information:

New graded and graveled or rock road 47.00 miles
New grade put up 40.25 miles
Gravel or rock hauled on old grades 30.75 miles

This does not include any patch work, no rut or fill up work. There was much of that done, but this class of work was not counted in the figures given. The above statement includes what is practically all new road construction, all except the last item. The data was gathered from the 35 supervisors of road districts by Mr. Irvine, and represents an expenditure of over \$122,000, including the culvert work. Putting in culverts is estimated to have cost about \$2000. Some of these individual culverts cost over \$250 each.

The showing is considered good when it is taken into consideration that the county is out of debt and has a surplus of over \$30,000 in cash on hand in the general funds.

Linn county is gradually putting her roads in shape for hard surface work, so that when this long desired move is started the work of putting in permanent roads can be pushed with the most rapidity, at the lowest possible cost and with the best general results.

The road supervisors for the coming year have not been appointed to date, but it is possible that the court will get to this the last of the week. The appointment of election clerks, judges and boards is occupying the attention of the commissioners between their regular duties at present.

Mr. Park, of the Park Mill Co., passed through town yesterday enroute for a business trip to Albany.

The murder of nineteen American citizens by a villa chieftain in Mexico, demonstrates the inability of Carranza to protect foreigners in his dominion. The Tribune expects that the United States will have soldiers in Mexico within a week.

J. N. Weddle, who has been confined at his home for more than one month with a double fracture of one of his legs, is not getting along as well as desired. On examination this week, the bones at one of the fractures had knitted properly but the other had failed to join. He will be confined for another month, it is reported.

Governor Withycombe to Speak

Arrangements have been made for Governor Withycombe to deliver an address in Scio on Saturday, February 19, in the interest of the Linn County Fair and general farming.

Dr. Withycombe is interested in the success of our fair, perhaps, more than he is in any other, from the fact that he helped create the enthusiasm at our first street fair which made the organization of the Linn County Fair possible. The Tribune believes the governor has attended every fair we have held. He should have a capacity audience when he speaks here.

OUR UNRULY SUN.

It Seems to Be Trying to Dilate to the Bursting Point.

The French astronomer Puleux has been busying himself with the constitution of the sun. He finds that, instead of condensing and shrinking little by little, as was formerly supposed, the sun is constantly dilating more and more and reaching the point of bursting. And if the sun blew up there would be no more need for us poor mortals to worry about worldly affairs.

Big suns every whit as important in their own constellations as ours are frequently victims of an explosion. There was one in the constellation of Perseus early in 1901, and since then two at least have occurred in other celestial groups.

Observation has shown long since that the great orb which is our all in all is a most uncertain character. Sun spots, fire blasts and such like phenomena are by no means the most of which he is capable. The manner in which the sun throws off atomic energy and transforms the heavy into light elements, hydrogen, helium, nebulium, archonium and what not spells nothing good for this world, and a mere nothing might lead to a disaster any day.

In short, it is bound to come at some time or other. Unfortunately science can give us no idea as to when. Centuries and even hundreds of centuries are as but a moment in the history of the universe, says Professor Flammarion, and for all we know the sun may have millions of years more life before it. No man can tell, though, and just as the strongest of us are struck down in a moment, so the all powerful planet may give out at any time, and when it does it will make but short work of all of us here below.—Boston Transcript

Argentina's Natural Bridge.

In Argentina there is a natural bridge that is one of the most wonderful in the world. It spans the Rio Mendoza and is known as the Inca bridge. But it is the work of nature, says the Scientific American, and not, as was popularly supposed, of the Incas. The road on which it occurs was probably a colonial highway made by the Peruvian Incas, who took advantage of the phenomenon by leading their road over this natural viaduct.

Origin of Spoons.

Two natural objects seem to have furnished the model for the spoon to primitive man—the river or sea shell and the leaf of plants. In southern China shell spoons are still used that are closely reproduced in the familiar porcelain spoon of that country, while metal spoons are found in India on which are reproduced even the veins of the leaves from which they were copied.

Local Market Report

Wheat per bushel	\$.85
Oats " "	.30
Bran per ton	28.00
Wheat chop per ton	32.00
Oat chop " "	30.00
Barley Chop " "	30.00
Flour per sack	1.30
Eggs per dozen	.25
Butter per pound	.40
Chickens, hens per lb.	.10
" spring " "	.09
" roosters " "	.06
Turkeys " "	.16
Geese " "	.08
Ducks " "	.10
Beef " "	.04
Veal " "	.10
Hogs, live per hundred lb.	5.10
Hogs, dressed " "	6.50
Mutton " "	6.00

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