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City Council meets on the first and third Tuesday evenings of each month.

Berling's Last Letter.

At the request of a number of readers we publish the last letter of Otto Berling, written a few hours before he killed his wife and himself. It was written in a common ten cent tablet and showed a steady hand, the writing not betraying the least excitement.

I am sorry I am compelled to take my own life. It cannot be otherwise. That I will not give me any peace. Please take good care of the little ones. I have left a will at W. R. Bilyeu's at Albany. J. A. Bilyeu will act as administrator. I am sorry for some of you and not for others. As I have testified to my will, I hope my friends will forgive me for my rash act. Bury me alongside your mother in the place left for me. As for that d—b—, I don't want her buried alongside of me. If anything happens, do not say I was insane, for I am in my right senses. Wid Bilyeu (W. R. Bilyeu) has some letters she has written to me, and there are some in my trousers.

See that you get the money that I have loaned her to pay for some of the property. You will find an account in my book.

Let John Bilyeu put the cattle into the straw stack. Let him have what he wants for about \$10 per ton. Have a sale about March 15th. Sell everything there in. The sheep I want sold as soon as convenient. I have made mention in my will. The cow that lies in the fence corner where we quit skimming peas. I give George Berling my watch and chain.

She (Mrs. Berling) had poison in the chamber over mine we had the first quarrel, and I think she put some in my broth before she left for Portland. If anybody wants to know why I did this, it is to save my earnings for my children. I hope the court will not make much expense.

Take off the turkeys as soon as you can after the storm is over, you will have to have some money. You can get the coffee at Kyan's. Have my own team and harness to haul my corpse. Bury me in my own soil; you will find it in the bureau, and give me a full dress. I think I have earned it. Do not share me; I wish my head left.

Many times were some James Crocker, Joseph, John Bennett and Will Berling over me some. Draw my pension at the March 4. I own Elmer, Elmer & George. Have some wheat in Albany. The wheat receipts are in the book. Senses & Elmer 100. Give John Morris the note. It is in my pocket book. I own Wm. Moore and Coleman 200, after Wm. Moore pays me for the same. I own 100 of Elmer and Elmer in Albany. Berling owes me 10 cents for a pair of shoes and some soap. The principal from Clark Johnson due April 1, 1901. He promised to pay \$200 and \$200 interest.

Pay Elmer Berling for what work he has done since he became deaf. Get a hospital for the small children from their mother and myself.

TO ALL MY CHILDREN.

Do not take it too much to heart. I could not possibly have stayed with you much longer. If your mother had lived I might have been more contented. It is hard to be rebbed for such a woman. Have lawyer Montanye make application for the children's pensions. There will be less of them.

Feb. 4, 1:40 o'clock.

J. A. Bilyeu—

I take the opportunity to write you a few lines. When I laid you goodbye on the 24th, in Kyan's store, you did not think it was the last time you would see me alive. Help to bury me decently and be my kind friend. Yours forever.

OTTO BERLING.

You know I was in trouble when I left you in Honston's store.

Probate Court.

W. W. Parrish was appointed administrator of the estate of H. A. McCarty; bonds, \$5000; filed.

In estate of Otto Berling, inventory was filed; real estate \$2000.00; personal property \$1000.00; total \$3000.00; exempt property was ordered set aside for minor children; personal property ordered sold at public or private sale; petition to sell real property to be heard March 11.

In the estate of Hannah Robinson, bond of \$2200 approved.

In the estate of Lydia Reed, April 3d set for final settlement.

In the estate of H. L. Rudd, April 3d set for final settlement.

In the estate of W. F. Smith, Robert Anderson's resignation accepted, and E. A. Staf. had was appointed; bond, \$2000.

In the estate of Henry Moss, personal property ordered sold.

In the estate of Chas. Baddley, first account allowed; citation ordered issued for April 2d.

Pumps and pipe down to Albany prices. F. C. AYERS & Co.

Wedding Bells.

The announcement on last Sunday that Rev. Edward Eccleston and Miss Zoe Marks were to be married in the First Presbyterian church, on Wednesday eve., Mar. 1, at 8:30 o'clock, and that all were invited, brought out a large crowd, and long before the stated time standing room was at a premium.

The church was beautifully decorated, and just in front of the pulpit was suspended a large wedding bell made of flowers and evergreens. Just at 8:30 sharp the happy couple entered the church under the strains of a wedding march executed by Miss Nona Miller. The procession was led by the ushers, Messrs. Everett and Aldrich, followed by the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Marks, next Mr. J. S. Marks, groomsmen, and Miss Mildred Brunester, maid of honor, followed by the happy couple who marched in front and took their position directly under the large bell. As the music ceased Rev. E. N. Condit, of Albany, stepped forward and in a very impressive manner united the two hearts that from now on will beat as one. Immediately after the ceremony Rev. Eccleston kissed his bride three times.

From the church the large assembly went to the residence of J. J. Swan where the members of the church had prepared a nice reception for their pastor and bride, where an elegant supper was had, and several hours were spent in games, conversation, etc.

The bride is one of Lebanon's most popular young ladies, and the groom can well congratulate himself on winning the heart and hand of such a companion through life. The groom is a young man of fine sterling qualities, and has the promise of a bright future in usefulness in his chosen profession. He came to our town about nine months ago and was secured as pastor of the First Presbyterian church, since which time he has endeared himself to the hearts of his people.

Obituary.

Mrs. Elizabeth Carothers died at her home in this city, Wednesday, March 1, 1900, at 10 o'clock. She was 71 years, 10 months and 15 days old. She was born in Carlisle, Penn., April 12, 1828. Her maiden name was Elizabeth Wilson. She was married to M. L. Carothers at Gettysburg, Penn., on the 4th day of Oct. 1853. They moved to Mo., in 1860, where they spent the most of the time until 1868, in which year they moved to Oregon and located near Lebanon, where they lived until 1870 in which year they moved to Dayton, Wash., where they lived 2 years, but liking Oregon better moved back to Lebanon in 1872. Mrs. Carothers is the mother of 12 children, 5 boys and 7 girls, of which six survive her—Mrs. E. Bellmarsh, of Portland, Mr. Geo. Eckler, of Dayton, Wash., Mrs. L. Ritter, of Waterloo, Mrs. F. Gout, of near Albany, and William and Miss Susan Carothers, of this place, all of whom were with her except Mrs. Eckler, of Dayton. Mrs. Carothers made a profession of Christianity at 15 years of age and joined the Presbyterian church, and has lived a devoted Christian life ever since. Many times during her long life she has spoken of going to heaven and was anxious to go and was fully prepared. She has been an invalid for the past few years, but her death was caused by nervous prostration brought on by a cold. Her husband died 5 years ago last January. She will be buried to-day at 10 o'clock, in the Normal cemetery.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.

Notice is hereby given that on the 7th day of February, 1900, the Oregon Court of Linn County, Oregon, duly licensed and empowered me as the Administrator of the estate of Peter Well, deceased, to sell the following real property belonging to said estate:

Beginning 1/2 chains and 1/2 links North of the south-east corner of G. W. Klum's donation land claim No. 60, notification No. 222, Township 23, South Range one West of the Willamette Meridian; thence West 1/2 chains; thence North 1/2 chains and 1/2 links; thence East 1/2 chains; thence South 1/2 chains and 1/2 links to the place of beginning, containing 37.50 acres; the above described land being and lying in Linn County, Oregon.

I will in pursuance of said House and page call said land on the 12th day of March, 1900, at the court house door in the city of Albany, Linn County, Oregon at the hour of 4 p. m. of said day to the highest and best bidder thereat at public auction for cash in hand. The title of said decedent, Peter Well, being a fee simple in said land.

A. J. WEAZ,

Administrator of said estate.

W. R. BLADE,

Attorney for Administrator.

Pay Up.

All persons knowing themselves indebted to me will please call and settle at once as I am needing my money. ED KELLENBERGER.

BAPTIST CHURCH—Preaching every Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday School at 10 A. M. Young People's meeting every Sunday at 4:15 P. M. Prayer-meeting every Wednesday at 8 P. M. C. R. LAMAR, Pastor.

The EXPRESS desires to again remind its friends who are in arrears that we are in great need of our money. We cannot pay our debts without it. We hope everyone who is behind will come forward at an early date and settle.

Voting Contest.

Standing of the four leading candidates in C. C. Hackleman's voting contest is as follows:

MARRIED MEN.

C. B. Montague	168
C. H. Ralston	146
M. A. Miller	137
J. K. Charlton	105

MARRIED LADIES.

Mrs. F. M. Miller	222
Mrs. Menzies	167
Mrs. Ralston	144
Mrs. Montague	103

YOUNG MEN.

Jack Ralston	288
N. W. Smith	256
N. S. Dalgleish	93
Robt. Montague	61

YOUNG LADIES.

Addie Simpson	194
Libbie Carothers	169
Jessie McCalley	88
Grace Roberts	82

LEBANON PRODUCE MARKET.

(Changed Every Week.)

Wheat—50c.
 Oats—35c.
 Hay—\$12 per ton.
 Flour—\$1 00 per sack.
 Chop—\$1 25 per cwt.
 Bran—50c per cwt.
 Middlings—\$1 00 per cwt.
 Potatoes—50c.
 Apples—Dried, 7c per lb.
 Plums—Dried, 6c.
 Onions—2c.
 Beef—Dressed, 8@9c.
 Veal—4@5c.
 Pork—Dressed, 6@7c.
 Lard—12@13c.
 Hams—12@13c per lb.
 Shoulders—10c.
 Hides—12@13c per lb.
 Geese—\$5 per doz.
 Ducks—\$6 00 per doz.
 Chickens—\$3 00 per doz.
 Turkeys—100 per lb.
 Eggs—5c per doz.
 Butter—5c per lb.
 Hides—Green, 2@3c; dry, 3c.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at Oregon City, Oregon, Jan. 24, 1900.
 Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of Linn County, at Albany, Oregon, on March 11, 1900, viz:
 JAMES D. ROLFE,
 P. O. No. 1134, on the W. 1/2 of E. W. 1/2 of S. 1/2 of T. 24 N. W. 1/2 of R. 12 W. S. 1/2 of Sec. 12, T. 24 N., R. 12 W., S. 1/2.

He names the following witnesses to prove his claim: William J. Rogers, Orlando Pickett, Arthur Hill, and John Schubert, all of Sweet Home, Linn Co., Oregon.
 J. T. APPERSON,
 Register.

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As Special Grand Prizes We Will Pay in Cash

To every one solving in the correct month to ALL of the TEN words before March 1st, '98, \$500.00.

Here are the word-riddles, can you solve them? Remember any one of the ten words correctly solved wins for you \$20.00 in cash.

1 A--LE	Time bearing round fruit.	6 --(M)--	A lofty tree.
2 PE--	Tree, fruit larger at lower end.	7 PAN----	Smooth handmaiden, purple or other colors.
3 TUL---	Flower with flowers of bright colors.	8 BAN---A	Tropical tree, with fruit in bunches.
4 --R-WG-	Common tree, with round yellow fruit.	9 ROS--	Flowering bushes.
5 --RAP-	The fruit is good to eat.	10 --ATE-	Tropical fruit bearing leaves.

EXPLANATION Each dash indicates the absence of a certain letter, and when the proper letters are supplied the original word will be complete. Example: E--L--A, the complete word is apple.

REWARDS Are paid in cash the very day any answer is found to be correct. To prevent even any appearance of irregularity or collusion, a copy of the original ten words has been deposited in a safety vault under seal, to be opened March 1st, '98, in the presence of witnesses whose sworn statements as to the correct words will be published in the April number of the Golden-Rod.

Remember Every Correct Answer Wins A Prize.

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