

CORRESPONDENCE

ODELL.

Last Wednesday Mrs. Schiller's house was entirely destroyed by fire. The fire started in the attic and must have gained considerable headway when discovered. The telephone soon had notified neighbors and ten men were ready to do all that could be done, but the fire burned so rapidly that but a small portion of the furniture could be removed. By heroic efforts the piano and some of the contents of the rooms on the first floor were saved. The property was insured for \$1000, but the actual cash required to replace what is lost will much exceed that figure, while as is always the case in misfortune of this nature there is much that cannot be replaced. The pleasant home is now but a memory, a fact that causes friends to sympathize with the family in their loss.

Mrs. S. D. Fisher and children are at home in Mosier, they having gone to their home at that place early last week. Irene remained in Odell until after the eighth grade examination and went to Mosier Sunday.

Mrs. Sarah Toney has returned to her home in Odell, after several months absence. Since leaving here she has visited relatives in Portland and her sister in Sumpter, Oregon. Her niece accompanied her to Odell and will remain here for a time. Mrs. Toney's friends gladly welcome her and her children home.

Mrs. Peck, who owns a tract of land which is a part of the George Frater place, was here last week looking after her interests and will return soon to direct the work connected with this land.

Gid T. Ellis, crosscut expert for the E. C. Atkins Co., of Portland, visited at the home of J. H. Eggert last week. Mr. Ellis travels for the above named company and was here on business for the firm and stopped over with Mr. Eggert, they having been friends for a number of years.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Folts left Hood River Monday morning bound for Salem, where they go as delegates to represent Kemp and Hazel lodges of the Grand Lodge and Rebekah Assembly, I. O. O. F. of Oregon, in session in that city this week.

Ellen K. Shelley is visiting relatives in Portland.

The eighth grade examination was conducted by Rev. Troy Shelley. The following pupils took the examination: Marion Hunter, Louis Rhoads, Louis Lafferty, Sherman Lafferty, Irene Fisher, Ruth Clark.

Remember the lecture by Rev. Merrill and recitations by his daughters this evening.

BELMONT.

Belmont and vicinity was blessed with a splendid rain. The farmers who were short of water are smiling over it.

Ralph Ellis has sold his place of 10 acres at Belmont for \$6000. It is a well improved place and will worth the price paid for it. We hope they will not leave our neighborhood.

Dr. Ferguson, of The Dalles, has bought eight acres of the Potter farm. Purchase price \$2200.

Little Bertha Adamson was thrown off a horse she was riding, breaking her arm. Dr. Dumble was called and set the arm. He is afraid the arm will be stiff.

When little boys start to throwing clouds at one another they sometimes get hurt. Ask Marsh how he got his black eye.

Mrs. Bronson returned from Sunnyside, Wash. She did not visit in the Willamette valley.

W. H. Warren is improving his farm with a new fence.

Mrs. M. H. Nickelson narrowly escaped what might have been a serious accident. Last week while driving up Methodist lane a bolt came out of one shaft of the tuggy, letting it drop. The horse began to back. She got out and caught the horse by the lead. Mrs. Davis came to her help and together they kept the horse from going into the ditch. Fred the shaft

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and she went on her way. Haling wire comes in handy.

Mrs. H. P. Allen was called last Friday to Odell by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Smith. We are glad to hear she is better.

H. F. Barrett has sold his five acres to John L. Henderson, receiving \$3,000 for it.

Mrs. M. H. Nickelson had a birthday Saturday, C. Nickelson's youngest daughter had one Sunday, so together they celebrated them by having dinner altogether at C. Nickelson's.

Those who have strawberries are rejoicing over the prospect for a bumper crop.

Miss Margaret Nickelson won out by a large majority for queen of Hood River float at the rose festival at Portland. Of course all could not win, but we folks of Belmont are very glad that one of Belmont's young and handsome young ladies was chosen to represent Hood River.

The Belmont Sunday school voted to attend memorial services in Hood River next Sunday morning. No Sunday school session will be held. Let all who have wagons and buggies come to the church and take as many of the children down to Hood River as they can. Please be there at 10:15.

The Ladies' Aid will meet at the parsonage in special meeting next Friday afternoon. All business to be settled before the aid adjourns until after strawberry season. Let every member try and attend this meeting.

BARRETT.

"Good morning, Bro. Brayford. What use do they call this?" "Laws, sir; if you want to insult the people of this community call it a lane, but if you wish to be friendly call it Rockford avenue." "Beg your pardon and we take off our hats." "All right, Mr. L., you may pass on, we are friends."

L. Dart is quite a busy man with the paint and brush at the home of A. Tucker on the old Barrett ranch.

A. Wells, who bought 20 acres of the Markham ranch, is putting up two buildings and in the near future will put up a good, substantial residence.

Dr. Mills has gone to Tillamook for a few days to straighten out matters on his farm.

MOUNT HOOD.

R. B. Morton left Monday for Kansas City, Mo., where he goes as a delegate to the general assembly of the Presbyterian church, which is to meet there in the next few days.

Chester Monroe came up last Friday and took his little sister, Mary, to Hood River. From there they went to Spokane, where Mary is to stay. Ernest expects to go up there soon.

The ladies of the church are preparing to serve a dinner at the voting place on election day. Further announcement will be made.

Our school closes the nine months'

term next Friday. The teachers and pupils are preparing a program to be held at the school house Friday afternoon.

Rev. Branstetter will preach at Mt. Hood next Sunday morning and evening.

Mrs. L. C. Campbell went home to The Dalles last Saturday, after a week's visit to Mt. Hood with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Kush.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Estee, from Milton, Wis., came last Friday to visit their daughter, Mrs. Walter Gribble. They expect to make a visit extending through the summer.

Donald Larwood came home last Monday, after a successful year in the tenth grade of the Crook county high school at Prineville. His scholarship was of such a high rank that he did not have to take the final examination, so he came home before the term closed.

The Endeavor meeting last Sunday evening was the best we have had. Miss Florence Toon proved a very earnest and efficient leader, and was ably assisted by the members who took part in discussion on the topic in a very thoughtful way. Interest in the Endeavor society seems to be growing. C. A. Puddy is leader for next Sunday evening. The topic is one especially interesting to voters.

The regular meeting of the grange last Friday evening was particularly interesting. Four new members were given third and fourth degrees, and several bills which are to come before the voters at the coming election were discussed. The literary program consisted of a clever farce, "The Irish Lion Fiddler," in which all the parts were well taken. While going we thought "Chas. Thomas was Dutch, but since he personated Pat O'Doyle, the peddler, we are sure he is Irish. With the same bluntness that he sold linen to customers he won the heart of Nellie, the Irish maid, Miss Lizzie Cooper, and never allowed Chester Walton, as Mr. Glanvigan, the Irish-American, to forget his nationality. Orylle Kueh, an old favorite on our stage, carried the part of Mr. Darling and was easily captured by Miss Nora Cooper, as Mrs. Wade, the designing widow. Miss Florence Toon took the part of Emma Darling, Finnigan's sweetheart, in her usual pleasing manner. After many precautions and fears three pairs of hearts were united and happy ever after.

BINGEN.

Mr. Vogel, of Portland, passed through Bingen on his way home. Mr. Vogel picked out a nice residence lot before leaving Bingen and expects to build on it before long. He thinks Bingen is the prettiest townsite and place he has ever seen.

C. G. Longwell, agent for several Seattle commission houses, has been in Bingen for a week, retreating to Seattle Saturday. Cold weather is

hindering shipments, it did not pay him to stay.

Jens Christensen and daughter came down from Gamal Monday, taking the steamer Simen from Bingen to The Dalles, returning Tuesday.

S. J. Kether, of Goldendale, county superintendent of schools, was in Bingen visiting his brother and mother Monday, taking train No. 1 for Portland from Bingen.

Next week we will likely see the first number of our first paper in Bingen. Expect to install the press this week. Mr. Dorsey, its editor and manager, is putting everything in shape to get it out as soon as possible.

Bingen will soon have an automobile line to Trout Lake, leaving Maple Hotel every morning.

Resolutions. The following resolutions were adopted at the Sunday school convention held in Hood River last week:

First—Inasmuch as the question of county local option will be voted upon at the coming June election be it resolved that this Sunday school convention of Wasco county, in session at Hood River, Oregon, instruct and urge the officers and members of our Sunday schools to use their influence to secure votes for local option. Preference be given to those candidates best fitted to fill offices of public trust by abstinance from intoxicating liquors. It is further resolved that in all cases where practicable the Sunday schools co-operate with the W. C. T. U. or other temperance organizations in a public demonstration on election day.

Second—Having been highly benefited and richly profited by the wise and efficient instruction of Rev. C. A. Philips, be it resolved that a vote of most hearty thanks be extended him for his helpful words and inspiring addresses. We most heartily commend him to Sunday school workers as a wise and up-to-date teacher.

Third—The present session of Sunday school convention has been of the best in the history of the association, be it resolved that we express to the delegates a hearty appreciation in reference to their attendance and we all express our thanks for the genuine good here received, and especially to the good ladies of the homes of Hood River for the cordial welcome and kindly entertainment.

Fourth—Believing that no work of great importance to its constituency such as our state Sunday school work can succeed without information and an intelligent acquaintance with the field and the workers, we heartily commend and urge our Sunday school workers throughout the state to subscribe for and read "The Oregon Sunday School Optimist," the official organ and voice of the state association, an ably edited by our general secretary.

Fifth—Whereas, the Sunday schools of our state have the privilege of studying a temperance lesson once each quarter in the present instructional series, be it resolved that we recommend that each school use the opportunity to impress the principles of temperance, not only with regard to the use of liquor, but also with regard to the use of tobacco and gambling; and that opportunity be given our young people to sign pledges of abstinence from all these things that are so detrimental to their intellectual and moral development, and thus commit them in early life to a higher and purer ideal, both civic and religious.

Sixth—Whereas, the saloon interests are proposing to make ineffective our present local option law by an amendment to our state constitution giving cities and towns the sole rights to regulate and control saloons and kindred interests by a vote of the few regardless of the will and vote of the many, be it resolved that this convention of christian workers vigorously oppose this proposition and urge every christian voter to cast his ballot against it in the approaching state election.

Seventh—The association extends a vote of thanks to the trustees of Assury M. E. church, of Hood River, for the use of the church, and to all who have contributed to the pleasure and good of the convention.

Report of enrollment committee: No. of schools represented, 18. No. of superintendents present, 12. No. of teachers present, 17. No. of scholars present, 35. No. of ministers, 10. State secretary, I.

Rebecca Bayard, M. D. Odell, W. C. Gilmore.

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Nominating Committee—Barleigh Cash, Hood River; Mrs. R. H. Weber, The Dalles; Ed. Hill, Dufur.

Committee on Resolutions—W. C. Gilmore, Hood River; Mrs. R. Bayard, The Dalles; M. D. Odell, Odell.

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