

The skating rink at Mohawk hall is in full blast.

And now we are informed that John Wisecarver has a bouncing baby girl at his home, Nov. 30th.

A Sheath-fish, one of the curiosities of the deep was on exhibition at the Eurisko market yesterday.

Albert B. Apperson and Mrs. A. J. Apperson have been to Portland selecting goods for Christmas week.

We expect to lay the Presidents message before all our readers tomorrow, in full. It makes 16,269 words.

A post mortem examination revealed the fact that the cause of the long suffering by Mrs. Goucher, of Amity, was a cancer of the stomach.

Posters announce that three lectures are to be given at the Christian church Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings, by Prof. T. F. Campbell.

Next Monday and Tuesday Apperson's store interior will be topsy turvey in consequence of changes in shelving. Call now, and then after these improvements are made.

That was a fine lot of Smelt, herring, etc., at the Eurisko yesterday from Tacoma. Leave a standing order for some when they come again, as they go off like hot cakes.

J. A. Todd is successor to P. W. Todd, in the city drug store. The firm name remains Rogers & Todd. J. L. Rogers will continue in the management, and this will soon become one of the most popular and leading drug houses of Western Oregon, as it is now of this valley.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Lewis, of Dayton Prairie, met with a sad affliction on Monday last. Their darling little four months old baby was playing in its mothers arms, when, without a moments waning, yielded up its tiny spirit to the Father who said "suffer little children to come unto me."

Citizens, council, and all interested along Third street, have decided that the mud must go. The council appointed as a committee Messrs. Campbell, Jones and Palmer, to confer with property owners in reference to the matter. And as the citizens respond cheerfully we hope in a few days to see a clean street from B to E street.

Most Rev. Wm. H. Gross, Archbishop of Oregon, will preach at the Catholic church next Sunday, the 12th., at the 10:30 o'clock mass, and in the evening, at 7:30; also next Monday at the same hour. Arch Bishop Gross is one of the eminent speakers of the age, and the public generally are invited to attend these services.

An exchange recently stated that Marple was treated as a trusty in the Lafayette jail. If wearing a 16-pound shackle to his leg and being locked up day and night in his cell is the treatment a trusty gets then perhaps he is. Sheriff Harris was compelled to ornament the individual after that style because of the abusive manner of the prisoner. He is undoubtedly the right man, and in the right place, at present.

City Council Proceedings.

The new city council met and proceeded to business Monday evening, Mayor Jacob Wortman in the chair. Councilmen present were: Campbell, Holl, Jones, Narver and Palmer. Absent, Johnson. Also in attendance, J. J. Spencer City Recorder, Geo. Kauffman City Marshal. Warrants were ordered in payment of claims against the city as follows:

McNeely & Co., fire bell	\$122 41
Kauffman, marshal's fees	35 40
Spencer, recorder's fees	6 80
G. W. Burt, coal oil and freight	12 00
C. A. Wallace, street commiss'r	1 50
D. C. Ireland & Co., printing	3 50
Campbell, committeeman's expenses	4 50
Talmage, Spencer and Harding, canvassing city vote	6 00

A committee consisting of Jones, Narver and Campbell was appointed to confer with citizens upon proposed amendments to the city charter. An adjourned meeting was held last evening, finances reported, and the new council is now prepared for regular business.

An International Stigma.

There is every prospect that within the next sixty days a treaty will be concluded between Great Britain and the United States that will effectually break up the refuge for scoundrels that has been maintained across our northern frontier in Canada for so many years. The failure of the treaty last before the senate has only served to intensify the desire for such terms as will be satisfactory to both parties to the agreement, and it would seem that there was nothing left to cavil in the new draft which has been prepared and will soon be in shape for ratification. It is not creditable to the two great nations concerned, and between which there are such strong and enduring bonds of interest and sympathy, that for three quarters of a century there should have been so very few offenses recognized as extraditable, and these few of comparatively rare occurrence. It is proposed to enlarge the list from murder and forgery so as to include nearly every grade of offense against the persons and property of individuals, as well as those bearing against society and the state. No more important step could be taken in furtherance of the better administration of justice and the prevention of the crime within the jurisdiction of the respective governments. It is an international reproach that from any cause the territory of one nation should be made an asylum for the thieves and cut-throats of another, where they could live in undisturbed possession of the proceeds of their villainy as well as the enjoyment of all the rights of persons guaranteed to honest men and good citizens. This is a stigma that cannot be wiped out a day too soon.

P. F. Browne goes to Portland on business to-day.

P. W. Todd leaves to-day for Cloverdale. A host of good wishes accompany him.

The accident on the NPR which occurred on Wednesday of last week did not seriously delay matters. Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Hodson, reached home Monday evening nearly on time, not very badly shaken up; and glad to get back to Webfoot.

Observations.

Christmas will be here very soon. Custer Post will elect officers at Grange hall at one o'clock p. m. on the 11th.

Gold and silver ladies watches at a big bargain at the McMinnville jewelry store.

The McMinnville Business College is open every evening at 7 o'clock for students in writing, drawing and book-keeping.

Miss Belle Johnson, teacher of music in McMinnville and at McMinnville college. Residence corner of Second and C Streets.

Mrs. James, who has been visiting Mrs. and Rev. J. C. Fair, expects to sail for New York via San Francisco from Portland to-morrow.

McMinnville jewelry store is now the biggest and largest west of Portland and the cheapest in Oregon. Wm. Holl, proprietor.

Why do you pay for inferior silver plated table ware big prices, if you get at the McMinnville jewelry store, Wm. Holl, the best and finest can be had for the same price.

We regard artificial coloring of butter as a notorious fraud, and one that is a direct injury to the prosperity of the general dairy interest. The Rural Spirit said a truth when it said that if every state would make a law declaring artificial coloring an adulteration, that such a law would knock out all imitation butter makers. Two of the provisions in the amendments to the Oregon dairy law that we tried to have passed last winter, that all packages of butter shall represent their exact weight; that is to say, a roll or print of butter must be pounds or multiples of pounds. The other was that artificial coloring of butter should be declared an adulteration. If the coming legislature would pass such a law it would knock out nine-tenths of butter that is imported to this state. This alone would advance the price of butter at least 10 cents per pound, and would therefore be worth very many thousand dollars to the dairy interest.

I. O. G. T.

Yamhill county district lodge IOGT will meet at the Grange hall on Thursday and Friday, December 9th and 10th. Lodge meeting each day 10 a. m. and 1:30 p. m., public meetings each evening at 7 p. m. Following is the programme for evening meetings:

THURSDAY EVENING.

Singing	Audience
Prayer	Rev. T. H. Henderson
Declamation	Charlie Howe
Reading	J. W. Parrish
Declamation	Gracie Stuart
Reading	Mrs. Fellener
Reading in elocution	Miss Webb (of Salem)
Singing	Audience

FRIDAY EVENING.

Singing	Audience
Prayer	Rev. Satchwell
Declamation	Henry Bertholmew
Declamation	Arthur Burt
Song	J. I. Knight
Declamation	Wort Gardner
Declamation	Helen Calbreath
Reading	Miss Emily Webb
Singing	Audience

All are cordially invited to attend the evening meetings which are intended to promote the good of the order.

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Candy, Nuts, Toys and Presents for every body. Persons buying 5 lbs or over will be given wholesale rates.

With every \$1 purchase will be given a chance on

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I extend a cordial invitation to the people of this county to come and examine my goods and compare prices.

C. GRISSEN,

Garrison's Block, McMinnville, Oregon.

Watch This Art Gallery.



To Bishop & Kay's we go with a wish to get first choice of Holiday Furnishing Goods, Neckware and Suspenders, and Silk Handkerchiefs, at bottom prices.

BISHOP & KAY.

You know how much stuff is wasted in this way. The other day an old man came in here.

TRAVELING MEN.