WEATHER REPORT.

Tonight and Sunday fair, warmer.

DATES OF LOCAL EVENTS.

July 4 — Celebration at Salem.

PERSONAL AND LOCAL.

Tom Worley, of Stayton, was in town today.

R. D. Allen of Silverton was in the city today.

Wm. Perkins, of Brooks, spent the day in town.

Albert Davis, of Stayton, was in Salem today.

Mrs. F. E. Hodgkin went to Portland this morning.

J. Showerman of Sheridan, spent the day in Salem.

A. A. Buck of Corvallis is in the city visiting friends.

M. E. Pogue, who has been at Tillamook, returned today.

Mr. M. J. Conner and family went to Portland today to reside.

F. N. Boedigheimer, of Sublimity, was a Salem visitor today.

Mrs. I. G. Pardin went to Portland this morning to visit relatives.

Miss F. O. Jory went to Portland this morning to spend a week visiting.

Gilbert & Patterson went to their hop yards today on an inspection tour.

Mrs. O. D. Hutton went to Portland this morning to visit with Mr. Hutton.

Mrs. W. J. Herren left this morning to visit her son Willard at Arlington Ore.

Mrs. E. S. Seely went to Portland this morning to visit with her father and mother.

Mrs. F. P. Tillson was a passenger to Portland this morning on her way to Michigan.

Miss Helen Copeland and Miss Lena Lewis went to Albany today, going via horseback.

Mrs. J. W. Litherland went to Portland this morning to visit with friends and relatives.

Mrs. D. C. Sherman and son went to Portland this morning where they will reside in the future.

Miss E. Dunn, of Portland, who has been visiting friends in this city returned to Portland this morning.

Edwin Simpson, and Oden Neally and wife, came down from Independence this morning on their way to Eastern Oregon.

Rev. and Mrs. W. V. Bats of Turner, went to Dayton this morning where they will open a protracted meeting to night.

Ben Windsor, of Lincoln, was in town today. He reports crops as never better and says this weather is simply immense and is maturing crops to perfect on.

THE NATION'S BIRTHDAY

A Great Celebration Next Tuesday to Wind Up With a Free Ball.

The preparations for the celebration of the nation's birthday are nearing completion, and enough is in sight to guarantee one of the most brilliant and elaborate celebrations ever seen in Salem.

From early morning until late at night something of interest will be going on all the time. Mingled with usual events of the Fourth of July will be novelties which can not fail to be entertaining.

The musical program in Marion Square is more than usually rich including the Salem Choral Society, and the Novello Quartette, of Monmouth, as well as the sweetest singer in the Northwest, Mrs. Hinges.

The exercises in Marion Square include, besides the music, the invocation by Rev. W. C. Kantner, an oration by Hon. J. A. Jeffreys, a scholarly gentleman and a fine speaker, and probably some informal talk from others.

The street parade will include many new features and is calculated to please by its novelty and excellence rather than by excessive length.

In the parade one float will carry the Goddess of Liberty, represented by Miss Leona Paine. With her, instead of the states of the Union, will be Cuba, Porto Rico, Hawaii and the Philippines, represented by beautiful young ladies. This will be something new and a significant innovation.

Miss Alice Davenport, will represent the Angel of Peace, whom we would all be pleased to see.

The other floats will contain novel ideas which have been worked out by the committee, of which Mrs. Olive S. England is chairman, and will be a surprise to the spectators.

The firing of the salutes will take place in Willson Avenue, and will be under charge of Ben Taylor, who knows more about firing salutes than any other man in Salem. He will also manipulate the fireworks, which will be displayed in Willson Avenue, where every one can get a good view.

After much tribulation, the committee has at last succeeded in finding a baseball nine who dare to go up against the Chemawas. It is the Manillas and is composed of picked players of this city. A hotly contested game will be seen, and the Indian boys may not have it all their own way, after all.

An innovation, for Salem, and one which will be highly appreciated by all who have light fantastic toes which they know how to trip, will be the grand free ball at night. This will be held in the top story of the city hall, a room 75x180 feet, where there will be plenty of room for all to have a good time. Backensto's orchestta will furnish the music, and this is a guarantee of superior excellence. Isadore Greenbaum has this branch of the celebration in charge, and he will act as chief floor manager, assisted by Ira Hamilton, Bert Lynch and others.

All programs will appear in full in Monday's JOURNAL, the details not being fully formulated as yet in some cases. The program of street sports will be found below; also the musical program to be given in Marion square:

MUSICAL PROGRAM—MORNING.

Band music.
"America"—Salem Choral Society.
"O Hail Us, Ye Free"—Novello Quartet.
Solo, selected—Mrs. Hallie Parrish-Hinges.
"Peerless Oregon"—Salem Choral Society.
"Flag Without a Stain"—Novello Quartet.
"Red, White and Blue"—Mrs. Hinges and Salem Choral Society.

EVENING.

Band music.
"To Thee, O Country"—Salem Choral Society.
Song, selected—Novello Quartet.
Solo, selected—Mrs. Hallie Parrish-Hinges.
"Annie Laurie," Buck,—Novello Quartet.
"Star Spangled Banner"—Mrs. Hinges and Salem Choral Society.
Band music.
Solo, selected,—Mrs. Hallie Parrish Hinges.
Solo, selected,—Novello Quartet.
"America"—Salem Choral Society.

STREET SPORTS.

Egg and spoon race on bicycle:—One and one-half block: First prize $2, second prize, $1.

Hopping contest:—One-half block: First prize, $1.50, second prize, $1, third prize 50 cents.

Wheel-barrow race:—One block: First prize, $3, second prize, $2, third prize, $1.

Foot race:—Boys not over 16 years of age, 2 blocks: First prize, $2, second prize $1.

Girls' bicycle race:—(Free for all) blocks, First prize, $1.50, second pris $1, third prize 50 cents.

Girls' egg and spoon race:—50 yards: First prize, $2, second prize, $1, third prize 50 cents.

Boys' foot race:—Boys under 12 years of age, 1 block: First prize, $1.50, second prize, $1, third prize 50 cents.

Boys' bicycle race:—Boys not over 16 years of age, 3 blocks: First prize, $2, second prize, $1.

Three-legged race:—75 yards. First prize, $1.50, second prize, $1.

Rev. W. E. Copeland went to Albany today where he delivers his sermon on "The Man With the Hoe." His church will be closed until September.

T. L. Davidson Jr. left this morning via steamer to Palo Alto, California, for the summer vaction to visit relative and friends.

Mrs. M. J. Magers and Miss Magers, and Miss Fleta Magers of McMinnville, went to Stayton today to remain over the Fourth.

Landlord and Mrs. Conner went to Albany to Spend Sunday as guest at the Revere House.

G. P. Dabney, the proprietor of The Fair, has been confined to his house for several days.

Albert Lundgren, of Chicago, arrived today in Salem to look over this section of the west.

County Recorder Roland went to Jefferson to spend Sunday with his family.

Mrs. Robson, of Albany today returned after a visit with Salem friends.

Atty. Gen. Blackburn went to Albany for a Sunday visit.

Miss Nina Penland has gone to Turner to visit friends.

SOLDIERS' HOME.

In Demanding Pension Money the State Exceeded its Authority.

Cannot Take From the Veteran the Money the Government Pay Him for His Maintenance.

Attorney-General Blackburn has rendered an opinion, at the request of Governor Geer, in which he holds that the rules of the Soldiers' Home requiring inmates to assign to the home pension money received by them are illegal because they are in conflict with United States statutes. Rule 12 requires inmates of the Home to turn their pension money over to the commandant of that institution immediately upon receiving it, and rule 13 provides that said money, over and above the sum of $4 a month so surrendered, should be paid by the commandant to the dependent relatives of the pensioner, or, if he had no dependent relatives, then said money to be credited to a fund for the support of a Home. Rule 14 provides that the allowance of $4 a montlf granted the pensioner under rule 13 is liable to forfeiture if the member receiving said allowance should be adjudged guilty of any misconduct or infraction of the rules of the Home. The attorney-general's decision is in part as follows:

"The amended rules of the Oregon Soldiers' Home, when construed in connection with the provisions of the application for admission to the Home, constitute an assignment or transfer by the applicant for admission to said Home, to the Home, of some right to or interest in the pension which has been granted to him by the federal government.

"Section 4745 of the revised statutes of the United States provides as follows: 'Any pledge, mortgage, sale, assignment or transfer of any right, claim or interest in any position which has been or may hereafter be granted, shall be void and of no effect.'

"Under the rules of the board, the assignment or transfer is not a voluntary one, and even if voluntary, it would be void. The assignment or transfer is compulsory based upon the necessities of the pensioner, one which he is bound to make before he can be permitted to enjoy any of the privileges and benefits of admission to and residence in said Home.

"It is my opinion that any transfer or assignment of an interest in a pension, made as required by the amended rules, is in direct conflict with the law of the United States on this subject and is therefore void and of no effect; and that the amended rules are such as cannot be enforced."

MARION COUNTY MATTERS.

Business Being Transacted at the Court House.

An undertaking on appeal has been filed in the office of the county clerk, in the case of W. E. Mitchell, plaintiff, vs. The Oregon Woman's Flax Fibre Association, defendants. The case goes to the supreme court on an appeal by the defense, Judge George H. Burnett having rendered judgment for the plaintiff.

PROBATE.

Addie Parvin, executrix of the last will and testament of John Sutton, deceased, has petitioned the probate court, stating that the estate holds a note for $700 against A. I. and S. F. Wagner, secured by a mortgage on lots 1 to 6, in block No. 2, in Central addition to Salem, which note is appraised at $400; that the premises have been sold for taxes; that she desires to foreclose the mortgage, and for that purpose desired authority to redeem the premises from the tax sale, the total of which will amount to about $100. Judge Terrell made the order as per the prayer of the petitioner.

DEEDS FILED.

W. J. Irwin to Lillie Belle Irwin, one-half interest in 60 acres in the d l c of J. E. Parrott. $2.

M. E. Wright to N. Eva Lee, blk 15 in annex No. 1, Geo. Hollister's add to Stayton. $100.

N. Eva Bradge and husband to Wm. H. King, blk 15, in annex No. 1 to Geo. Hollister's add to Stayton. $200.

Fourth of July dinner and lunch will be served in the Insurance building office room, by the ladies of the Baptist church. Their reputation for chicken pie dinners in the past will insure them a full crowd on next Tuesday.

AN ARTISTIC RECITAL.

Rich Program Rendered By Mrs. Etta Anders-Willman's School.

Reed's opera house was well-filled last evening by one of the finest audiences of people that has appeared in that building this season. The occasion was the second annual commencement of the Inter-state conservatory of music under the management of Mrs. Etta Anders-Willman. The stage setting consisted of four magnificent new pianos, including one opera grand. The program, although confined to piano music, proved most entertaining, and was carried out with a precision and finish which indicated a master hand in charge. The numbers consisted of solos, duets, quartets and sixteen-hand work, ranging from the simplest compositions played by beginners to the most intricate and beautiful of classical productions.

It would be folly for the reporter to attempt a ciriticism of the work done by the different young people who took part, for reason of incompetency. However, he feels justified in saying that as a whole the evening's program was a harmonious production, evincing great skill individually and collectively. Probably the highest compliment possible, was paid the performers by the audience in the enthusiastic applause showered upon each and all. The wonderfully pleasing qualities of the entire work were something unusual in a formal program of the kind. Where monotony might have been expected the keenest enjoyment was evinced on the part of the audience. There was manifested a wonderful freedom from the mechanical and studied effects so common among students and amateurs, and in their place was noticeable a remarkable ease and grace combined with a rare techinque and assurance that was a comfort to the audience as well as the performers. The great freedom with which the entire work of the evening was done, whether due to the system of the conservatory or the individual efforts of Mrs. Willman, could not but be noticeable to every one present. As this is one of the most essential qualities of a great artist in whatever field, it would not be surprising if that Salem audience last evening sat in the presence of some future celebrity of whom the world will some day be justly proud.

Prof. E. H. Scott, president of the Inter State system, was introduced by Mrs. Willman and briefly reviewed the work and objects of that institution. He also conferred the diploma of proficiency upon Miss Nettie Beckner, who graduated with honors. Mr. Scott gave a little outline of the work being done by their conservatory, stating that they had 190 branch studios in the west similar to the one at Salem, all working under one plan and one management, thus insuring standing and recognition to all graduates in any part of the country. Dr. Scott pronounced the Salem branch one of the three best in the chain of schools, those three being Ogden, Grand Island and Salem. He spoke in the highest terms of Mrs. Willman's work, and claimed that for artistic conception of their work the program as rendered was one of the very best he had heard. The speaker voiced the feelings of the audience in these remarks as well as in the high compliment paid the graduate of the evening, who for one so young threw an unusual flavor into her renditions. While the work of the pupils made no pretense to being out of the ordinary, the appreciation with which it was received certainly stamps it as of a high order, and reflects the highest credit upon teacher and students.

The program of the evening was given below:

PART I.

Quartette, Rakoczy Marsch ..... Liszt
Grace Savage, Mrs. Otto Krausse, Mrs. F. R. Anson, Mrs. E. M. Sorber.
Solo, "Silver fishes in the lake"... Hollander ..... Marie Hofer
Solo. ..... Hollander
a. "Fairy tale"
b. "Marchedudrapean"
c. "Birds in the woods"
Althea Moores.
Solo, Halcyon days ..... Seiss
Cora Talkington.
Duett, "Rondo Brilliante" ..... Mohr
Alta Hendricks, Grace Savage.
Solo ..... Beethoven
a. Allegretto Op 10, No 2.
b. Presto
Claudia Childers.
Solo "Martha"..... Sydney Smith
Alta Hendricks.
Solo, Concert March.. .... Hollander
Mae Boise.
Solo, "Alice where art thou"... Ascher
Grace Savage.

PART II.

Duet, Jubel Overture.... Von Webber
Miss Beckner, Miss Hubbard.
Solo, Concert Study ..... Goldbeck
Fred R. Waters.
Solo. Bal Poudre..... Rafaeel Joseffy
Bertha Hubbard.
Solo, a. Noctrune, John Field, b. Faust Valse, Gounod, d, "Feuer Zauber, magic fire, scene from Walkine, Richard Wagner, Nettie L. Beckuer.

Address, Dr. Scott, president of Interstate University System.
Double Quartet, 16 hands, Grande Polanaise ..... Meyerbeer, Miss Beckner, Miss Hubbard, Mrs, John Krausse, Miss Breyman, Miss Childers, Mrs. F. R. Anson, Mrs. Jos. Albert, Miss Shelton.

Mrs. William's program last night—by the personne of the participants—showing the names of Salem's very best musical talent, demonstrated the dignity of the work and the conception the best musical minds have of the advantages of studying this systematic course. Thus the permanency of the Interstate Conservatory is assured at Salem and the work will be continued in a serious and conscientious manner. Those now working under the system will make the 3d commencement a grand success next year.

24-TO-4

Foresters vs. Woodmen of the World Met on the Fair Grounds Diamond.

Yesterday's game of base ball between the Foresters and Woodmen of the World resulted in the ignominious defeat of the latter, who thought they had the lop-eared animals of the forest on the run The Woodmen felt hilarious just before the first inning and imagined they were being drawn through the streets by the coyotes cougars and skunks of the forest on a hayrack, amidst the perfumes of new mown hay, but after the first inning they lost all hope of ever getting a sniff of even catnip tea.

The game resulted in a score for the Foresters of 24 to 4.

It was only through the charitable instincts of the truly fraternal feelings of a true Forester that they were allowed to make a score. All the Foresters needed was a catcher, pitcher and short stop, which would have been a sufficient team.

It is understood that the Woodmen will withdraw and not play the other two games.

The Foresters are longing for that hay rack ride and until they get it they will roam as of yore with the wild beasts of the forest, among the "big footed animals."

The Foresters still carry a chip on their shoulder in the city and are willing to extend the challenge to the rest of the county.

A challenge from the elks would be especially acceptable.

Dinner Fourth of July, will be served by the ladies of the Baptist church in the office of the Insurance building.

WILLAMETTE HOTEL ARRIVALS

I. Minroe, Albany; O. R. Baxter, Grand Rapids, Mich.; A. J. Lyons, San Francisco; Dell L. Lasher, Clayton Wentz and family, F. M. Mathena, Portland; C. C. McDonald, Chas. M. Hough, San Francisco; J. J. Dalrymple, City; J. W. Redd, Carlton, Or.

Fourth July Excursion.

The Corvallis & Eastern Rail Road makes rate of one fare for the round trip between all rail and river points reached by their lines. Tickets good going July 2, 3 and 4 limiting return until July 6.
6-27-4t ED. C. HERREN, Agt.

Volunteer Firemen.

All persons willing to serve in a volunteer fire company for July 4 are requested to report to Chairman Judah at once. COMMITTEE.

FOR THE FOURTH OF JULY.

Southern Pacific Excursion Rates for Celebrations and Travel July 1 to 5.

Stations 125 miles or less from selling point 1 1-3 fare for round trip.

Two hundred miles but not less than 125 miles, 1 1-5 the fare for round trip.

Three hundred miles but not less than 200 miles, one fare round trip.

No ticket less than 25 cents for round trip.

Children 5 to 12 half these rates.

Volunteers Return.

The return of the Volunteers reminds us of their splendid markmanship, come and perfect your shooting at the new gallery. 113 State street next door to Gray Bros. F. J. Fontaine, Prop.
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Watch the Blue Streak

Some of us out here in the "raw" west don't know much that goes on in the East. Here are a few recent records might interest you.

WASHINGTON, May 24th.—McFarland wins the two-mile handicap in 4:08 3-5, breaking the record for this distance.

WASHINGTON, May 24th.—McFarland wins the one-mile open, time 2:06.

BALTIMORE, May 26th.—McFarland wins the two-mile open, time 4:27

KANSAS CITY, May 30.—George McPherson wins the annual road race in 32:11, distancing all competitors some 500 yards. Of course he road a "Blue Streak.

WALTHAM, May 30.—McFarland wins the three cornered match race, with Cooper second and Kimball third all on Tribune.

ST. PAUL, June 4th.—Dan F. Carmichael broke the Century Road Record for Minnesota over the St Paul-Tonka course, time 5:46.

WALTHAM, May 30.—McFarland wins the one-mile open, time 2:06 2-5.

NEWARK, June 11.—Kimble wins the one-half mile handicap.

NEWARK, June 11.—Stevens wins the one-mile open, time 2:07.

MORAL—Races are not won on Ice wagons. Keep your eye on the only cycloidal sprocket.