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Corner of State and Liberty Streets, Salem, Oregon.

OREGON HOPS ARE ACTIVE

Dealers Trading Among Themselves--Big Prices for Contracts

The hop market continues strong, and an active demand for the better grades exists. Dealers have orders for goods that cannot be filled, owing to the stiff prices asked by holders. Twenty-nine cents and better has been paid for Oregon hops, and deals within the past few weeks have been made at prices nearly that high for poorer grades. All of the recent deals have been made in Portland, where 10,000 bales are stored, and where trades are of daily occurrence. Oregon last year produced the enormous quantity of nearly 90,000 bales. The Journal's liberal estimate of the crop last July, frowned down upon as being far too great, having still fallen far below the actual production. Although but 90,000 bales were produced, sales have already been recorded of over 150,000 bales of Oregon hops. This is by reason of the fact that many lots have changed hands several times, one crop alone being sold 13 times since it was shipped to the warehouse in Portland. Many hops are constantly changing ownership among the dealers.

Contracts are being made in a few instances at the highest figures ever recorded in Oregon. As high a figure as 22 cents has been offered on contract within the past few days; but growers generally are refraining from contracting, even at these high prices.

The Waterville (N. Y.) Times, in its report of the condition of the hop market in that section of the country, says:

"Nothing doing, and nothing to do with, is about the state of affairs here. It is said that 36c has been offered for one of the few lots left in this town, but no business resulted."

The New York Journal and Bulletin of last Friday, in its report on the condition of the hop market, says:

"Advices received from the coast continued to report a firm market, and it was stated that additional sales of choice grades Oregon were made at 29c. The local market continued firm. No trading was reported between dealers, but a limited amount of business was transacted with brewers, and at full quoted prices."

HOME FROM PUGET SOUND

Mr. and Mrs. J. Conner, of Hotel Willamette returned today from several weeks spent on Puget Sound. They were at Vancouver, Westminster, Victoria and other places. He says Vancouver is the live town, has 40,000 people, where 17 years ago there was not a single house.

Bellingham Bay is a great town, in Mr. Conner's opinion. About 9000 men on the payrolls are the source of its rapid growth and prosperity. The opera house at Whatcom cost \$125,000. There are fine hotels in all these cities, and all doing all the business they can. Of course, Victoria gives one the impression of being a foreign town.

What Congress is Doing.
Washington, Feb. 11.—The senate passed a joint resolution directing the secretary of war to survey and report on the practicability of a tide-water canal across Florida, and appropriated \$25,000 for the purpose. The doors were afterwards closed, and considering of the canal treaty continued. In the house the naval appropriation bill was reported, and then, in committee of the whole, the house entered into a further consideration of the deficiency appropriation bill, including the St. Louis loan amendment. Burkett, of Nebraska, vigorously opposed it, saying he would rather put the amount into public buildings.

Own Plant Saves City Much.
Boston, Feb. 11.—Dr. Samuel Abbott, of the state board of health, announced today that, by manufacturing its own anti-toxine, the commonwealth has saved the people \$405,000 in four years. The actual expense during that time, when 153,000 bottles of anti-toxine were distributed free, was \$31,500. These statistics have been forwarded to Chicago, where it is proposed to adopt the Massachusetts idea, instead of purchasing supplies.

WORDS FROM FIRE

Governor Chamberlain and County Clerk Roland Get Telegrams

Governor Chamberlain this morning received a telegram from Baltimore in response to one sent a few days ago. The message follows: "Hon. Geo. E. Chamberlain, Governor, Salem, Oregon. "Many thanks for kind message of sympathy. Cannot yet say what assistance will be needed."

"ROBERT M. McLANE, "Mayor of Baltimore."

County Clerk Roland, who is agent here for the United States Fidelity & Guarantee Co., also received a copy of a telegram sent out by the company regarding their losses, as follows:

"We, together with portions of the central section of this city, passed through an ordeal of fire with total destruction of home office building, which, however, is fully insured. Our securities and investments are all lodged in the deposit vaults of a trust company, and are unquestionably safe. The books and records were all saved and the business will proceed without interruption at temporary quarters, 16 West Saratoga street, Baltimore."

Trouble Comes Double.

A pitiful case of want, misery and death was reported to the city authorities last evening. Ward was sent down from the University Addition to Chief of Police Stiles that the 6-months-old babe of C. E. Kreigh and wife had died about 7 o'clock, and its mother was at Hale attending her husband, who is quite low with pneumonia. The grandmother was taking care of the child, but as she had no money with which to buy a coffin, the city authorities were notified. Chief Stiles visited the humble cottage where the death had occurred, and learned the following pitiful story:

The family is very poor. The husband is a hard-working man, but they have had a great deal of sickness, which has rendered them destitute. Not long ago Mr. Kreigh went to Hale, some 25 or 30 miles west of Eugene, to put up a sawmill. Word came the other day that from the rain and exposure he had contracted pneumonia, and his wife immediately left to care for him. It was reported that he was in a critical condition. Last night their little babe died.

News of the death was sent them on this morning's mail. Imagine the mother's grief when she reads the missive telling her of the sad affair. She is expected home on the next inward bound stage.

Chief Stiles went to County Judge Kincaid with the case this morning, and a coffin was ordered bought for the babe.—Eugene Guard.

Observe Lincoln Day.

In obedience to the general orders of the national and state departments of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Salem Post and Woman's Relief Corps will observe the anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birth—February 12th—on Friday evening, at the First Presbyterian church. There will be addresses by Rev. Ketchum and Col. Hofer, with other literary and musical features. The public is cordially invited.

Uncle Sam Don't Forget.

State Treasurer C. S. Moore is in receipt of \$3325 from the general treasurer of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, for the Oregon Soldiers' Home. This is for the two quarters ending September 30th and December 31st, last, and is the usual allowance of the federal government for the Oregon Soldiers' Home.

YOUR ATTENTION.

is called to our unusual showing of Valentines this year. Those that have had the pleasure of going over the line are loud in their praise of the beautiful designs and our prices. Valentine day is but a few days off, and we advise an early purchase.

Patton's Book Store.

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Are what the People want We have Them

The most successful Clearance Sale of Clothing in the history of our business, is now on. The quality of our merchandise and upright dealing has done it. The public rely on it. They know our adv. means something.

Salem Woolen Mill Store

C. P. BISHOP, Proprietor

Look out for our regular Thursday surprise sale.

The article may be just what you want.

SALEM SOCIAL EVENTS

The Senators Meet Again.

The regular meeting of the High School Senators was held last evening at the East school building, and a profitable evening spent. The meeting was called to order by the president, Horace Sykes. The constitution was read and one amendment offered and adopted. The motion of Cronise, of New York, to proceed with the order of the day was passed. Senate bill No. 12, to double the number of revenue officers along the division line of Canada and the United States was introduced by McIntire, of Minnesota, and read the first and second time. A bill was introduced by Moores, of Maryland, to appropriate \$5,000,000 for the sufferers of the Baltimore fire, and caused quite a lengthy discussion. Pres. Sykes called Cronise, of New York, to the chair in order that he could speak on the bill. Moores and Riegleman led in the defense, and Sykes against it. After a heated discussion a vote was taken, showing 15 to 5, and the bill passed. The meeting then adjourned to Wednesday next. There was quite a number of invited guests present, who were pleased with the orderly and business-like manner in which the boys hold their society.

They Went to Gervais.

About 20 ladies of the local lodges, Degree of Honor, of this city, went to Gervais last evening, to attend the installation of the Degree of Honor of that place. The ladies were royally entertained by that lodge, and a pleasant evening was spent. A sumptuous banquet followed the installation and the ladies returned home on the late train.

Lovers of good things, especially in the line of sweets, will find something new in the way of confectionery at the Spa. It is a new invention of their own, but it hasn't been named. Try some of it, and you will be convinced. Finest line of valentine boxes in the city at the Spa. 2-11-31

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Salem Abstract and Land Co.

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The finest in the city, will be arriving soon, and old and new patrons of the store are invited to call.

MRS. CORA HILKE, Proprietor.

Capital National Bank

of Salem, transacts a general banking business. Only National Bank in Marion county.

Savings Bank Department

Pays three per cent interest on savings accounts. Deposits of ONE DOLLAR or more received at any time. Pass book issued to each depositor.

Local Events in the Social Realm

PERSONALS.

Jay Bleakney, of Silverton, is in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. F. VanPatten went to Gervais this morning.

John A. Carson went to Washington, D. C., this morning.

D. H. Wolf, of Portland, is in the city for a few days' visit.

D. W. Tarpley went to Eugene this morning for a few days' visit.

W. R. Hollister, of Portland, was in the city yesterday afternoon on business.

J. L. Skipton was in Gervais this morning on business for the sheriff's office.

Winnie Poorman went to Woodburn last evening, to spend a vacation at home.

Mrs. Hallie Hinges returned this morning from a few days' visit in Portland.

Gov. Geo. E. Chamberlain went to Portland last evening for a few days' stay at home.

Miss Lucy Morcom has gone to her home in Woodburn to spend a short vacation at home.

B. O. Schucking went to Portland today, to look after a quantity of hops for shipment East.

Hon. D. M. C. Gault was a passenger for Portland this morning, after a few days' visit with his son here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Conner returned today from a two weeks' trip through Washington and British Columbia.

Judge Wm. Waldo returned this morning from a 10 days' visit in Seattle and other points on Puget Sound.

Mrs. T. A. Young left last evening for her home in Tacoma, after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Belle, for a few weeks.

W. H. Wolf and Samuel Broadus, of San Francisco, are here for a few days' business stay. They went to Jefferson this morning with J. M. Kyle, to look over that section of the valley.

Bad Outlook for Lumber.

"It's as I said a year ago it would be, there has been an overproduction of lumber in the Northwest." These were the words of Mr. David Eccles, president of the Oregon Lumber Company and the Sumpter Valley railroad, who has just returned from Portland. "Three hundred new mills have been added to the list in the past year or so, and the mills of the Northwest are producing from 10,000,000 to 15,000,000 feet more of lumber daily than formerly. Naturally the markets become glutted, prices decreased below a profit, and today 250 mills on the Sound have shut down. At the meeting in Tacoma on the 5th of the Lumber Association, it was reported that unless new markets could be found, and the railroads could give some relief in that direction, more mills would close down and go into the hands of receivers. The outlook in the lumber business is not very bright and the whole country will be affected. New mills in Idaho and Eastern Oregon are cutting into the trade of this part of the country."—Baker City Democrat.

Committee on Experting.

The committee on experting the financial records of the city for the past five years will require considerable time to finish its work. Their report is delayed some by the fact that the city treasurer kept no books until during the past year. The pay of the treasurer was only \$100 a year, and he felt that he could not afford to keep books.

Notice.

The regular meeting of St. Paul's branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, which was to be held on Friday, the 12th, is postponed one week, to February 19th. At the residence of Squire Farrar.

New Goods Coming

We will soon have one of the neatest, cleanest and most complete grocery stores and stocks in all Oregon.

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C. J. Atwood. D. W. Fisher.

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