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STATE
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NEWS

Fruitland.

Mr. Bert Yates is quite ill with typhoid malaria.

Mr. Joe Jones and Mr. George Jones are working at the nursery at Salem.

A number of the older boys are leaving school to commence work.

Saturday evening being the birthday anniversary of Mr. Jesse Card, a number of his friends gathered at his home to spend a pleasant evening with him. The evening was spent playing games and in social converse. Lunch was served.

Last Friday evening a meeting was held at the school house for the purpose of talking over and making arrangements for a telephone line to be put in from Salem to Fruitland and vicinity. Satisfactory arrangements were made, and a line will be in construction the latter part of this week.

A Lecture on Marriage.

Lectures and lectures are common almost upon any topic you care to mention, yet one topic of great importance to the coming generation has been greatly overlooked. Marriage was ordained by the Creator. A woman was created for Adam (and he has created one for you). A lecture entitled "What Young Married People Ought to Know" will be given at the Salvation Army hall, Sunday, March 11th, at 8 p. m. Its nature will make it exceedingly interesting to all religious workers and woman suffrage and anti-saloon workers. Admission is already paid for you. One gentleman, knowing the value of the lecture, has taken upon himself to meet the expenses of the evening, and for that reason I shall be pleased to have you show your appreciation by being present.

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Salem State Bank

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X-RAYS

No one can blame Portland for wanting cheaper gas—but then she should remember the quality and price of the article she furnishes the balance of the state.

If the interstate commerce commission cannot fix a rate for railroad charges. By what process of reasoning is a United States judge made competent to fix that rate?

The San Francisco Chronicle asks why our statesmen should wear black. The answer to our esteemed contemporary is dead easy. They should not. Some of them should wear stripes.

No rate bill will pass the senate, for the reason that most senators are either railroad owners or railroad attorneys. When senators are elected by the people, the people will get a square deal—but not before.

Lewis Sleinka arrived yesterday from Wisconsin to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Sleinka. He seems much pleased with Oregon, but thinks something is wrong with the almanac, as it was 29 below in Wisconsin shortly before he left.

Concerning the recent phenomena at Mt. Rainier, over which the savants of the Washington University have been indulging their brains, it might be said that Mr. W. Humburg, of this city, has recently made two voluminous reports on the subject, which indicate that he is familiar with the cause—climatic conditions.

Dad and Me.

In the shade of the old apple tree,
Daddy folded me over his knee,
And his slipper applied
To his little son's hide,
Till it felt like a blister to me,
Not a slip with his slipper made he;
Not a lick from the lickster missed me,
As the sole of his shoe
To my pants he would glue,
In the shade of the old apple tree.

Oh, the joys of the old apple tree,
When my daddy repaired there with me.

And with coat elevated,
I got vaccinated
Till it felt like a blister to me;
Squirt the spray on the old apple tree,
So diseases shall e'er banished be
From the spot where his shoe
To my trousers would glue.

In the shade of the old apple tree,
This pathetic ditty is copied from the Corvallis Times, and is the first of the spring clip.

Keep the little ones healthy and happy. Their tender, sensitive bodies require gentle, healing remedies. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will keep them strong and well. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets. Dr. Stone's Drug Store.

Nominate Committeemen.

G. M. Deacon, a prominent employee of the Salem Woolen Mills, won out in the fourth ward as a candidate for committeeman. There was a spirited contest and several names were presented.

Petitions are filed for committeemen in the fifth ward for Geo. C. Will, and from Mahana for G. P. Torrell, in the seventh ward for Alex. Daus. These committeemen are voted upon at the primary the same as any other aspirant for office, and a petition of a few names two out of the hundred party votes cast puts a candidate in nomination for committeeman.

EIGHT
COLLEGES
MEETState Oratorical Contest at
Albany Friday a Great
Event

There is going to be a warm time in Albany Friday night, the occasion being the State Oratorical Association's meeting. It has become a matter of great interest, especially to the colleges, the students of which grow enthusiastic in their desires to have their own alma mater a winner.

Here the enthusiasm has reached such dimensions that arrangements have been made for a special train to carry the Willamette University team and others to the battleground. The Albany Herald this morning says of the meeting:

"Albany College will be the host for seven other colleges on Friday of this week, when the State Oratorical Association meets in this city and the state contest is held. Orators representing the eight colleges of Western Oregon will be here and their orations will be the point of attraction in the evening, while during the afternoon the association will meet at the college and transact such business as may come before the annual meeting. Delegates have been selected from the several colleges to attend the annual meeting, and representatives to respond to toasts will be present for each college.

The meeting is one of great importance and brings together the leading students of the several colleges for a reunion, one that can only be held in one city once in eight years. In honor of the event many of the stores of the city have decorated their windows with the colors of the Albany College, and in one case at least, S. A. Young & Son, the decorations partake of the colors of all the colleges to be represented here, making a beautiful blending.

The contest of the orators will be held at the United Presbyterian church. The colleges taking part in the contest, together with their colors, their delegates, their orators and their subjects, as well as those responding to the toasts, are given below:

Willamette University, Salem—Colors, old gold and red; delegates, E. J. Winnans, Gustava Randall, Sylvia Jones Haines, Cornelius, Elizabeth Gorton, J. Elliott, R. Matthews; orator H. L. Parcel; subject, "The Future Possibilities of the Northwest;" toaster, A. H. Marker.

University of Oregon, Eugene—Colors, yellow and green; delegates, Olive Arnsperger, T. N. Townsend, Walter Winslow, J. C. Veach, William Barker, Walter Eaton; orator, Francis Galloway; subject, "The New Diplomacy;" toaster, Frederic Stuiwer.

Pacific College, Newberg—yellow and blue; delegates Lynn Clough, Sarah Knight, Haynes Burgess, Ernest Bales, May Minthorn, Ralph Paulsen; orator, Paul Marie; subject, "The Patriot of the New Era;" toaster, Cecil Hoskins.

Pacific University, Forest Grove—Colors, black and red; delegates, D. D. Bump, W. H. Wirtz, W. Pearl, Chandler, Rollie Peterson, H. H. Armstrong, D. Allen, Belle Brook, Harry Humphrey; orator, Hugh N. Sparks; subject, "The Idol of the South;" toaster, W. B. Rasmussen.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis—Colors, orange and white; delegates, Elmer P. Rawson, Stella Parsons, Math Kennison, Rex A. Barnett, Ralph Reynolds, Carrie Buchanan, Violet Hancock, Calvin Sweet; orator, John Witherspoon; subject, "The Voice of 1776;" toaster, Mark Weatherford.

State Normal School, Monmouth—Colors, red and gray; delegates, Mimos Sears, Jim, Glenn and Neal, and Messrs. Corum, Danton and Pearson; orator, Miss Rose Cullen; subject, "Character as Capital;" toaster, Miss Olive Rudom.

Albany College, Albany—Colors, orange and black; delegates, Urie Brown, William Steele, Ruth Montague, Edna Knott, Harry Merrill, Fred Neal, Georgia Dawson, Ralph Knott; orator, E. L. Jones; subject, "The Triumphs of Principle;" toaster, Edna Knight.

McMinnville College—Colors, blue and red; orator, Edward Linderman; subject, "The Abuse of Public Trusts." (The delegates from this college have not yet been announced).

The Best Cough Syrup.

S. L. Apple, ex-probate judge, Ottawa Co., Kansas, writes: "This is to say that I have used Ballard's Horehound Syrup for years, and that I do not hesitate to recommend it as the best cough syrup I have ever used." 25c, 50c and \$1.00. For sale by D. J. Fry.

WHO GETS
FRONT
STREET

Portland Council Still Hesitates About Granting a Franchise

The matter of the franchise on Front street, Portland, has not yet been settled. The matter has resolved itself into the question of whether the franchise shall be given to the Willamette Valley Traction Company or to the United Railways Company. The Oregonian this morning has the following concerning it:

At the session yesterday the ordinance proposed by the Willamette Valley Traction Company was read in detail and further explained by Attorney W. E. Thomas, counsel for the Willamette Traction. The United Railways Company, through W. T. Muir, counsel for the Los Angeles capitalists, countered with the proposition that it would pay to the city during the 25 years of the life of the franchise, \$150,000, which, they allege, is \$40,000 better in cash than the Willamette Company proposes.

To meet this, the Willamette Traction made a verbal agreement with the street committee to lease the Front street line, after building it and giving it outright to the city, paying to the municipality \$1 for each car hauled over the line, provided the city would allow the Willamette Traction Company to charge \$2.50 a car for the service, which is the sum named by the United Railways Company for hauling cars of other companies over the line. This is estimated to yield an annual revenue of \$18,250, or \$456,250 during the 25 years' life of the franchise.

After threshing the matter out for three hours yesterday, the street committee had not determined which company promised the city the best returns for the franchise. Each side is showing impatience over the long-delayed verdict, as both companies realize that on account of the early spring much construction can be accomplished before the acute scarcity of laborers, which is expected when summer opens. The Willamette Traction expects to span the Willamette during the summer, and in order to complete its bridge must accomplish the work during low water. Preparations should be well under way already to succeed this summer.

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Campaign Started in Chicago to Demand Safer Hotels for Drummers.

Chicago, March 7.—Western traveling men have started a movement to secure safer hotels. Members of the Illinois Commercial Men's association have agreed to constitute themselves a body of fire inspectors with roving commissions to see that fire regulations are observed in all hotels in which they stop, and to kick when dangerous conditions are discovered.

The West hotel fire in Minneapolis started this movement, and the Illinois traveling men have already heard from Iowa and other associations that the campaign for safer hotels will have the support of the traveling brotherhood everywhere.

The West hotel was of the so-called "slow burning" order, but it did not burn slow enough to prevent the death of eight people, six of whom were traveling men. It is not this sort of "fire-proof" hotel that the commercial travelers demand. They promise their patronage to proprietors of the steel and fire proof type of hotel. In view

of the fact that traveling men form the largest element in hotel prosperity, it is not unlikely that their campaign will be the beginning of an era of fire proof building, such as no other agency has been able to bring about.

"In any hotel fire most of the people whose lives are endangered are traveling men," said the president of the Illinois association. "We spend most of our nights in hotels and have a right to demand greater safety. Possibly many doubt if there is sufficient need for such a radical movement. Of three or four hotels in a good sized city, it will be difficult to determine which is the least protected. The rule obtains the country through, even in states where strict laws covering this subject are found on the statutes. There are now laws enough, and it is up to us to stir them into action. Already the campaign has won its converts and individually the travelers will boycott hotels that do not provide protection."

Attendance Increasing.

The second semester of the college year reveals a marked increase in attendance at Willamette University. The enrollment in all the departments now shows 490 students.

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