

WILLAMETTE VALLEY NEWS

SILVERTON PASSES ARMORY BOND ISSUE

Necessary Two-Thirds Majority Secured At City Election.

At the special election held Tuesday, September 9th, the people of Silverton once more expressed their desire for the erection of a \$30,000 Armory for this city. A two-thirds vote was required to carry the measure and a vote of 254 for and 111 against was registered, giving the yes 11 votes majority.

The authorization of the council to issue bonds to the amount of \$10,000 gives the state and county a one-third boost in the erection of the Armory, the state and county to provide the other \$20,000 equally divided between them.

Just when the work will commence on the construction of the Armory cannot now be determined as the preliminary work in getting the work under way is great. In all probabilities work cannot be commenced before next spring. The location has not been determined, although there are several sites up for consideration.

The measure amending the charter to provide a means of compelling property owners to build, construct and repair sidewalks adjacent to their property was given a vote of 281 for and 67 against.

The measure amending the charter by providing a means of condemnation of land and the exercise of the power of eminent domain within and by the city carried a vote of 228 for and 65 against.—Appeal.

Paving Plant Is Planned For Aurora; Site Secured For Gravel Work Started

It is reported that definite action has been taken for securing the state highway paving plant for the paving of this part of the highway and that it has been decided to locate it here. The site is not known yet but it is thought that it will be located as near as possible to the railway station. Work will commence on the highway some time this fall or early winter.

County Commissioner Hunt has secured 3 acres of land from Roy Fuson which he will have cleared for a gravel pit. All papers have been made out and work will commence as soon as the land is cleared and a sufficient body of men can be secured. The gravel will be hauled to the paving plant which will also be located in town.—Record.

A. H. Bahrke And Miss Lena Hilbert Wed At Silverton

Last Saturday morning at 10:30 at Silverton occurred the marriage of Mr. A. H. Bahrke of Lebanon and Miss Lena Hilbert, of Hubbard, in the presence of a few friends, among whom was Miss Sophia Hilbert a sister of the bride.

Saturday afternoon the happy couple left for Portland for a few days when they expect to return to Silverton and occupy the new home being prepared for them. Mr. and Mrs. Bahrke have the best wishes of a host of friends for a happy life.—Enterprise.

Salem Man Gets Contract To Pave Albany Streets

After many attempts to get paving work started in Albany the council at last has found a bidder who will take the work and push it through to completion. The contracts for the paving of the four streets were last night awarded to L. O. Herrold of Salem, and work will begin at once.

At 5 o'clock the bids were opened and it was found that the Warren Construction company and L. O. Herrold were the only bidders. Herrold's combined bids were \$12,464.93 lower than the Warren company, whose representative, Mr. Shannon, took his certified checks and departed soon after the bids were read.—Democrat.

2183 Acres In Polk County Converted To Game Reserve

Papers were filed for record with the county clerk last Saturday, placing a total of 2183 acres of Polk county land in a state game reserve. The land is all in the southern part of the county and is owned by Fred N. Stump, A. J. Richardson, J. H. Thurston, Martin V. Prather and M. N. Prather. The agreement with the state of Oregon is that the land will be maintained as a refuge for wild birds for a period of five years.—Herald.

Lightning Strikes Rail On Which Workmen Rest; Sitting Postponed Now

Last Saturday while the electric storm was in progress, some of the railroad gang that is working on the new road at Lyons, was shaken up and received a few hard jolts.

The boys were sitting on the rail and when the lightning struck it followed the rail to where the boys were sitting and there it stopped—just where it went from there we don't know, but the boys ate their meals standing up for a few days after.—Stayton Mail.

Gervais Girl Is Champion Berry Picker Of Section

Miss Esther Glendon has been named champion berry picker of this section. At the J. P. Province patch Wednesday she picked 157 pounds of Evergreen berries, at 4¢ a pound, netting her \$6.28 for a day's work. Other pickers in the same patch picked close to the above amount.—Gervais Star.

STAYTON

(Capital Journal Special Service.) Stayton, Sept. 13.—John Braun, who recently sold his farm near Scio, and thought for a time to locate in Stayton, has decided to make Salem his home, and has purchased a residence there. They will move there soon.

Grant Murphy spent several days this week in Portland.

More Right Of-Way Land Secured For Railway In Neighborhood Of Stayton

The following deeds to a strip of land 80 feet wide have been given to the Portland Southern railroad that will build through Stayton in the near future by the following named people: A. P. Kinsell, L. Arthur, E. D. Crabtree, E. C. Simeral, J. J. Neibert, J. B. Pegree, C. C. Wenger and George Keech.

When there is timber on the strip given, the grantors reserve the right to remove it.

The contracts call for the completion and operation of the road by the first of January, 1922.—Mail.

New Manager Gets Cannery At Jefferson In Readiness

Geo. W. Epley, wife and son, Kennell arrived in Jefferson Monday, and Mr. Epley is busy engaged in getting the new cannery ready for work in a few days and some of the later products will be cared for. Mr. Epley is a most satisfactory manager to Jefferson people, as both himself and wife are former residents of our city. Patrons will know that they will get a square deal. This institution will do a large business next season. Speak a good word for it.—Review.

Dallas Boy To Enter Business At Grants Pass

(Capital Journal Special Service.) Dallas, Ore., Sept. 13.—Lloyd Ellis, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Ellis of this city left this week for Grants Pass where he will enter the drug store business conducted by his father in that city. Mr. Ellis returned to his home here several weeks ago after more than a year's service in Uncle Sam's navy where he was first class pharmacist mate. He was formerly a student at the Oregon Agricultural college but left school to enter the navy during the recent war with Germany.

New Sawmill At Airle To Commence Operations Soon

(Capital Journal Special Service.) Dallas, Ore., Sept. 13.—The new sawmill of Webber & Davis near the town of Airle in the southwestern part of the county will begin operations about the first of October after an enforced idleness of several weeks. The mill was destroyed by fire after being struck by lightning several weeks ago and since that time has been practically rebuilt. It will have a daily cutting capacity of 40,000 feet. Property adjacent to the mill was only saved during the fire after heroic on the part of the employees. The mill is one of the busy places in the Airle community and its resuming of operations will mean much to the people of that neighborhood.

Linn County Growers Turn Down 60-Cent Wool Offers

Sixty members of the Linn county farm bureau wool pool from every section of the county met at the court house yesterday afternoon to consider the sale of 15,700 fleeces or approximately 120,000 pounds of wool which has been held in the pool since shearing time last spring.

The best offer so far made has been 42½¢ for the coarse and 56¢ for the fine wool, which was refused by the growers.—Democrat.

The John Ogle 480 acre wheat ranch five miles west of Pendleton, has been sold to Fred Rohde for \$51,000.

Among the Valley Pioneers

NOTE—Brief news notes concerning and of interest to the pioneers of the Willamette Valley will hereafter be a regular feature of The Capital Journal. Contributions are invited.

Dallas Woman Dies When But Few Miles From Old Home At Mazon, Illinois

A telegram was received here last Friday from David Darling stating that his wife had died suddenly at Mazon, Illinois. Mrs. David Coats and Ben Darling, children of Mr. and Mrs. Darling, left Friday night for Mazon to attend the funeral which will be held there.

Mr. and Mrs. Darling left here September 1st with the party of local people en route to the national encampment of the G. A. R. at Columbus, Ohio. It was their intention not to go on to Columbus, but to stop at Mazon, their old home, for a visit with their children residing near there. The trip had been made almost to its end, and it was just as they were leaving the train only to continue their journey by auto to the old home farm a few miles distant, that Mrs. Darling suddenly passed away. It is believed that joy at prospect of again seeing her children after several years overcame her and brought on heart failure.—Herald.

Aged Silverton Resident Passes Away Sunday Night

Nels Mehison, a resident of this place living east of town, died Sunday night at his home aged 70 years. Mr. Mehison was a bachelor and he and his sister have made their home together. The funeral will be held at St. John's church, Thursday at 2 o'clock, Rev. Roseland officiating. Interment will be made in the Silverton cemetery.

Nels Jensen Mehison was born in Denmark, May 29, 1843. Came to New York in 1866 at the age of twenty-three years. Returned to Denmark for a visit. In 1874 he worked in the Wisconsin pineries until 1878 when he went to Leadville, Colorado and engaged in mining which he followed most of the time for 31 years. Came to Silverton with his sister Anna in 1910. Three sisters survive one in Denmark, one in Montana and Anna of this city.—Appeal.

Pioneer Of Gold Rush Days On Coast Dies At Age Of 88

The funeral of Mithra Jones, who will be remembered by the older citizens of Hubbard, was held at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. B. Brown near Parkersville, on Monday August 25th. Deceased was born in 1831 in Illinois, coming to this country in 1856 following the gold rush to this coast. He married Julia A. Hubbard and for many years lived on the farm south of town now occupied by Wm. Woffler. About seven years ago he left this locality and spent some time in eastern and southern Oregon. Mrs. Minnie Graham of Salem, Mrs. Larry Cammer of Idaho, and Mrs. Thurston Grim of Oregon, daughters of deceased, survive.—Enterprise.

Paralytic Stroke Fatal To Linn County Pioneer

Miss Mary Grace Myers, who died at Sheild Monday night, was buried at Oak Grove cemetery today. Miss Myers, who was 74 years old had been in good health up to Sunday morning when she was stricken with paralysis and lived but one day. She was born in Hancock county, Ohio, June 15, 1846, and came to Oregon 40 years ago. She lived at Sheild for 38 years.

She is survived by the following brothers and sisters: R. B. Myers, Sheild; S. S. Myers, Sheild; M. M. Myers, Portland; John Myers, Saginaw; Will Myers, and Mrs. Walter Howe, Yachats, Oregon.

Miss Myers was a first cousin of Gene Stratton-Porter, well known author and writer.—Albany Democrat.

School Superintendent Is Appointed On Library Board

(Capital Journal Special Service.) Dallas, Ore., Sept. 13.—City School Superintendent Walter I. Ford was this week appointed a member of the city library board for a term of three years to take the place of J. C. Haxter whose term expired this month. The other member of the board whose term expired was Mrs. George T. Geringer, who was re-appointed by Mayor August P. Risser.

ALBANY GIRL DIES

Death entered an Albany household for the second time in two days this morning and took another popular young woman, Miss Zoe Winifred Trask daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Trask of 825 West Seventh street, died of pneumonia at St. Mary's hospital.—Democrat.

JEFFERSON'S NEW PRINCIPAL ON HAND; SCHOOL OPENS LATE

E. S. Stultz, the new principal of the Jefferson schools, has been in the city during the week, preparing for the opening of school, which has been postponed until Sept. 29, as the older children are needed in the prune and hop yards. Prof. Stultz comes recommended as an instructor of much ability and a splendid disciplinarian. A most successful school year is anticipated.—Review.

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Southern Pacific Officials Inspect Dallas Repair Shop

(Capital Journal Special Service.) Dallas, Ore., Sept. 13.—John M. Scott, general passenger agent, and H. A. Hinshaw, general freight agent of the Southern Pacific railway company with headquarters in Portland, were in Dallas this week inspecting the local railroad here, and other property owned by the company. Mr. Hinshaw was formerly a resident of this city being at one time superintendent of the Salem, Falls City & Western railway.

MT. ANGEL COLLEGE STUDENT DROWNS IN SWIMMING HOLE

A tragic death took place at the Dulum swimming hole Wednesday afternoon when a Mt. Angel academy student named Joseph Gent lost his life by drowning in the deep water.

The young man was about nineteen years of age and came to Mt. Angel that day from his home in Eugene to attend school. In company with several other students he went to the swimming hole. Just how the tragedy happened we were unable to learn.

Undertaker Ekman was called to care for the body and brought the remains to the chapel Wednesday evening to await instructions from relatives.—Appeal.

HUBBARD BOY IN MARINE HOSPITAL AT PHILADELPHIA

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Dimick received a letter from their son Harley Dimick Wednesday morning, who, since they last heard from him has been transferred from service with the marines in Haiti to Philadelphia where he is in the naval hospital, League Island, ward U E. Harley said very little about his sickness, other than that he had a fever that was contracted on the island. It is hoped that he will soon be able to travel and that towards home.—Enterprise.

PIONEER WOMAN HURT

Lebanon, Sept. 13.—Mrs. Emaline Moss, a well known pioneer of '52 who has been making her home in Lebanon for the past ten years, fell down the stairs at her home a few days ago and as a result is confined to her bed with little chance of recovery.

Mrs. Moss is the daughter of the late Mrs. Anna Barr, who passed away recently at the age of 91 years.

LIGHTNING BURNS BARN

A barn east of Woodburn was hit by lightning and burned last Sunday afternoon about 5:30. The barn belonged to Jim Mishler of Hubbard, and contained about a ton of hay. No insurance.—Enterprise.

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