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## WILL KILL WESTERN SECTION

LACK OF WATER THERE CERTAIN TO STOP ALL GROWTH

## A GREAT FINANCIAL LOSS

Section That Has Been Growing Wondrously to Get Great Set back if Annexation Fails Next Saturday--Section Must Have Water

A failure to unite with Corvallis will be a sad blow to the district that it is proposed to annex. The expressed determination of the Water Commission to confine city water service to the city limits means that there will be little or no building in the western section next summer or for a long time to come. Two men who own lots there and have planned to build in the spring said in this office this morning that they can not afford to live there without mountain water, and they say emphatically that they will not build if the next Saturday is against annexation.

This is certain to be the conclusion of many others who have bought lots in the western part of the city with the intention of building. A large number of lots have been sold there the past year on the certainty that mountain water would be furnished. Most of these people will not think of living there without water at once and hope of sewerage at an early date. They understand, however, that the city has rendered service there somewhat illegally, out of kindness of spirit, and in the expectation that that section would become a part of the city when opportunity offered, so they do not expect the city to continue its service if the vote is against annexation.

The failure to get water on

## CLEVER WESTERN PLAY COMING

A press notice says: "In Wyoming," H. E. Pierce and Co.'s great play of western ranch life, will be the attraction at the opera house Wednesday, Dec. 22. The selection of this drama of the west will meet with wide approval in Corvallis and the production itself promises to be one of the most pretentious that will be seen here during the present season. "In Wyoming," is a genuine American play, replete with virility and strength. Willard Mack, the author, has skillfully combined his ingredients of dramatic interest with the proper admixture of comedy, and has succeeded in evolving a rare play wherein swiftly alternating laughs give place frequently to moments of intense pathos. The scenes are laid near Casper, Wyoming. The management has furnished a complete scenic production, which will be used in its entirety during the engagement.

the hill west of the college means a cessation of growth there. It is likely to result in a lessening of values, and it is certain that there will be no further increase of value. There has been a disposition to make the western section of Corvallis a residence section and many citizens of some means have bought there, but these will not build. No section can be made fit for living without water and the people who have lived down in the city will not forsake the mountain water here for well water there. With the tendency to growth that western Corvallis has shown the past year or two, farm lands there would be worth \$200 to \$400 a lot in less than five years. But it can never be so without water. There is no bluff in the City Water Commission's attitude in this matter, and if there were there is now ready an injunction suit to keep the commission from serving consumers outside of the limit.

Annexation might cause the payment of an advance in the tax (though we doubt any considerable advance) but the loss to that entire section will be hundreds and thousands of dollars if there is no annexation. Voters should not listen to these carpers who are opposed to everything.

## OTHER PULLS FOR THE BIG FIGHT

Peter Rickard Squeezes Ted's Debts; P. Avery Kin to Jeffries.

Press dispatches brought the news this morning that Tex Rickard, the prize-fight promoter had been sued for \$5650.75 on bills owing one J. G. Roberts. With the idea of furthering the chance for Corvallis landing the Jeffries-Johnson fight, with which Tex Rickard has much to do, Peter Rickard got in touch with the authorities at Reno, Nevada, where the suit was filed, and guaranteed the sum owed by his relative. If this doesn't warm Tex up toward Corvallis, then he is a very ungrateful fellow.

Since the Johnsons have lined up the chocolate champion in favor of Corvallis, Mr. Punderson Avery has been making an effort to get a particular leverage on Mr. Jeffries. By reference to the family tree he discovers that a brother of his great great grandfather's nephew by his sixth wife married a woman who had a cousin named Jeffries. That's a rather slim thread to work on, but the Corvallis company proposes to leave nothing undone that might land the big scrap. With \$175,000 of good coin at hand, the city council, sheriff's office and ministerial association acquiescent, it would be a shame if this coming metropolis, probable capital of Oregon, should be beaten out by San Francisco or Oakland. At last accounts N. B. Avery and A. L. Stevenson had their heads together and they are certain to hatch up a surprise for other bidders for the fight.

Mrs. Eldridge leaves Friday for Newberg, where she will spend the holidays.

## BUT ONE CASE OF DIPHTHERIA

HEALTH OFFICER SAYS ALARM IS WHOLLY UNWARRANTED

## NEVER MORE THAN FOUR

Falling Off of Attendance at North School Result of Foolish Alarm from Careless Statements--Every Precaution Being Taken.

Of more than 200 pupils enrolled at the North school but 65 were in attendance today. This is due to alarm about diphtheria, of which there is but ONE case in the city at the present time. There have been but six cases since September and in the past month there have been but four. No case has yet developed in school, and extraordinary precaution is being taken. The North school is fumigated, though there was no suspicion of germs in the building. Last night the Central building was fumigated simply of a precaution. There is no epidemic, no possible danger of an epidemic with present precautions.

Every youngster with even a suspicion of a sore throat is examined by physicians. Foolish and excitable persons have reported 25 and 50 cases. The health officer's report says ONE.

Friday night opens the preliminary basketball season at O. A. C. Former experts will play the regular team and the Sophs will play the Juniors. From the line up of the old stars it looks like the regulars are due to receive a drubbing.

George Watson, a stranger engaged in peddling small household utensils, was picked up by Chief Wells Wednesday and charged with violation of a city ordinance. On a preliminary hearing he pleaded not guilty and his trial was set for 9 o'clock this morning, and then postponed until 2 o'clock. Five days at labor was the sentence.

## ORCHARD COMPANY GETS BUSY

MONROE CORRESPONDENT TELLS OF WHAT IS DOING

## WHO'S WHO AT PHILOMATH

People Who Come and Go and Why They Do It--Some Come to Corvallis, Others go Elsewhere--Sam Bennett is Getting Better.

MONROE, Dec. 13--Rev. Hacking, of the M. E. church at Monroe, delivered an address on Odd Fellowship before Alpine lodge No. 197 I. O. O. F. Sunday at Simpson's chapel. The members were out in full regalia, as were also the Rebekahs.

The prune orchard on the old EcElroy place is being renovated. About half of the trees are being taken out to make room for the rest to properly flourish. The Oregon Apple Co. owns this place and Cleve Currin, an old O. A. C. man, is superintendent. The portion of the place in prunes is only ten acres, and the greater part of the remainder will soon be put into apple trees. Already nearly 10,000 young trees are "heeled in" here on the place, awaiting favorable weather so as to be placed in favorable position. A dozen men are employed regularly by the company and a great change is being made in the ranch. Scores of big oak, some of which were four feet or more in diameter, have been cut down and the stumps blown out preparatory to getting some 200 acres of trees set out by March 15th.

Despite washouts and soft spots along the line, Carver has been doing business at the same old stand of late.

C. J. Currin, superintendent of the Oregon Apple Co.'s ranch here, was a visitor to Corvallis

on Saturday and Sunday.

Bernard Wilhelm is having a snug little home built. Things are evidently going to happen.

PHILOMATH, Dec. 16.--Mrs. Geo. Gove went to Albany Wednesday on business.

Mrs. H. S. Moses and daughter Blanche were Corvallis shoppers Saturday.

Frank Becker returned Wednesday after spending a few days in Corvallis the guest of Prof. Sam Groff.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Strong of Salem, visited her mother, Mrs. Schaffer, last week.

Mrs. Robert Hunter and baby daughter returned to Corvallis Saturday. White in Philomath they visited at the home of Mrs. Hunter's father, J. E. Henkle.

The Rhetorical given at the Philomath College last Saturday night was in every way a success. Musical numbers were also rendered.

Mrs. Gertrude Fischer was in Corvallis Saturday.

The University Extension Club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bennett last Thursday evening. This club is composed of the teachers at both College and the public school.

Sam Bowen, who was injured last week, is rapidly recovering.

Rev. and Mrs. Parrett are holding very interesting meetings at the Brick college.

Newberg and the Philomath college basketball teams played last Saturday night at the Armory. The game was won by the local team by a score of 56 to 32.

R. A. Clark, Miss Edith Cumming, Miss Allen and Mrs. James Evars were Corvallis passengers Thursday.

## A CORRECTION

Editor GAZETTE-TIMES:—In your headline to my letter of yesterday you said that I am not afraid of the devil himself, but I am. There is nothing else in

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## AFTER PERNOT AND THE COUNCIL

SAYS DOC IS A KNOCKER AND COUNCILMEN ARE WORSE

## WANTS ANOTHER ORDINANCE

Says Councilmen Should Own at Least \$2,000 Worth of Property in the City--Gets Wires Crossed and Scores Doc when He Isn't Guilty.

GAZETTE-TIMES:—As I read the article that Dr. Pernot wrote of the condition of Job's and Wilkins' Additions I would like to know if he knows the reason why Job's and Wilkins' Additions are in the conditions that they are in? We have paid taxes for years and have not received any benefit. All we ever got was our street crossings cleaned just a few days before an election. We will all vote for the annexation next Saturday if they will sign a contract to go right to work and put in the sewer. It seems like there ought to be a new ordinance so a councilman had to be a resident of the city for at least two years and own not less than \$2000 worth of property. We have some men in the council that don't own any property here in the city in their own name. I would like to ask Dr. Pernot if Job's and Wilkins' Additions are not in as good sanitary condition as the southwest part of town. If he finds it the same, don't give this part a blackeye, for I think that is not helping to make Corvallis beautiful! And I think Dr. Pernot makes part of his living off of this part of the town. The college is the life of the town. If we do take it in with the rest and get the sewers Job's and Wilkins' Additions will be the heart of Corvallis and the

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KLINE'S THE PLACE TO BUY YOUR CHRISTMAS GIFTS

## Christmas Sale of Ladies' Coats and Suits

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Every Man's Overcoat in the House Reduced this week. SEE THEM.



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