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LOCAL NEWS.

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"A good tale bears repeating"—there's no hat like F. L. Miller's \$3.00 Kingsbury.
Ira Whitroy, a student at the O. A. C., was compelled to return to his home at Chitwood, owing to illness.
Grant Elgin was the recipient of a combined attack of earache and tonsillitis that kept him from appearing at the recorder's office Saturday.
Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Campbell and son returned last Friday from their Thanksgiving visit with relatives of Mrs. Campbell at Corvallis.—West Side.

Mrs. Chester Rust moved in from near Philomath last week and took up her residence with her sister, Mrs. Alfred Rust, who lives on the old Ecker's place near Thomas Cooper's.
The State Board of Agriculture completed its annual session at Salem, Friday. Dr. Jas. Withycombe, of this city, was elected superintendent of the live stock department.
Frank Groves, of Corvallis, was in Independence during the week. Frank is manager of the Corvallis opera house and was looking up the "Under Sealed Orders" company.—West Side.

George A. Houck, of Monroe, answers, in the Homestead, the question recently asked regarding goats and bull thistles. Mr. Houck states that goats will kill the thistles. He should be good authority on this subject as he is one of the leading goat-raisers of the state.
The poultry show opens today. It is to be held in the Farra & Allen brick in this city. Everything possible is being done to make the exhibit a success. That it will be interesting goes without saying. This evening the Corvallis Band will play a couple of overtures to give interest to the occasion.

Sen. W. W. Steiwer and family, of Fossil, Oregon, arrived here Saturday. They will remain in this city visiting relatives until the legislature meets. Senator Steiwer is a brother of John F. Steiwer, while his wife is a sister of the Misses Hoover, also residents of Corvallis, so that the visit will be doubly interesting for them during their stay.
Invitations are out for the military ball and concert to be given by the officers of O. A. C. battalion at the Armory, Friday evening, December 21. Parson's orchestra, of Portland, will furnish music for the occasion and a grand concert will be given from 8 until 9 o'clock. An effort is being made to make this the affair par excellence of the season.
The State Board of Agriculture has ordered that \$925 be set apart for displays of the agricultural and horticultural products of the various counties, variety and quality to be considered in distributing prizes. The county making the best exhibit will receive \$250 and a silver cup valued at \$100; second prize, \$200; third, \$150; fourth, \$100; fifth, \$75; sixth, \$50. The prizes are established at this time in order that every county may have ample time to arrange for its exhibit at the fair.
Government institutions of learning along the Pacific Coast are rapidly introducing higher scientific study in the classroom. A knowledge of the molecular transformations, constantly going on in decomposing vegetable matter, and returning it back to the earth as plant food, seems to be confined to the few individuals who have made this branch a special study. In view of the importance of a wider dissemination of knowledge so valuable to the rising generation, the Oregon Agricultural College has wisely added this study to the curriculum, and its senior class enjoys the privilege of obtaining a thorough elementary course through class work, and laboratory practice, embracing a study of the bacterial diseases of man, and of domestic animals, fermentation, dairy bacteriology, and micro-organisms of the soil and water.

Who sells Kingsbury Hats?

F. L. Miller sells Kingsbury hats.

Father Jurek conducted services in Monroe Sunday.
An ust Fischer has had a phone placed in his residence, across Marys river.
Good goods up-to-date and prices down to zero, at Nolan & Callahan's.
Mr. W. W. Garrow is in Portland receiving private instruction in music.
Geo. F. Reed left Saturday for Portland, where he will make his temporary residence.
The "Social Club" dance Friday evening, in the Firemen's hall, was a success in every way.
F. L. Miller, the leading gent's furnisher of Corvallis. If you don't believe it see his show windows.
Miss Leona Smith is expected to arrive home tomorrow and will spend the holidays with her parents.
Edward Kiger was out from Alsea last week, attending to some business. He returned home Saturday.
If you want to buy her a silk dress, silk handkerchief, or a pair of kid gloves, buy it at F. L. Miller's. He keeps the best.
Miss Leta Luper, formerly of Irving and well known in Corvallis, was married recently in Portland to Mr. Chas. Todd, of Heppner.
Work was to have begun on the Corvallis-Kings Valley telephone line yesterday, weather permitting. The telephone company had four men here for that purpose.
In the superior court of Washington, the jury in the case of Ralston Cox vs. E. L. Canby, for damages, alleged by reason of violation of an agreement, returned a verdict in favor of defendant.
Miss Myrtle Day and Mr. John T. Benson were married in this city by Judge Woodward at his residence, December 13. The young couple will reside for the present at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stonebeck, west of this city.
The Times speaks of some unknown person setting fire to C. C. Huft's straw stack Wednesday afternoon, and says "no blow is so contemptible as that struck in the dark." Now, what time in the afternoon was this? It hasn't been getting dark with us until along toward evening.
A report from the mint shows that Mr. Johnson, postmaster at Fisher, Lincoln county, sent \$800.13 to this department. Mr. Johnson was a partner of Willis Vidito on their trip to Nome, and although the gold they brought back was taken from the same mine, Mr. Johnson received a cent more per ounce for his share than did his partner, Mr. Vidito.
In our issue of November 30th, we made mention of the fact that a gentleman, a recent arrival from Dakota, had purchased the School farm, near Granger, making a payment down, the balance to be paid when the money arrived from Dakota. This balance was paid last Thursday and the papers in the transaction have changed hands. As stated, the price per acre was \$38, and the farm comprised 280 acres.
Wednesday evening, December 13, at a meeting of the Knights of Maccabees the following officers were elected to serve during the ensuing year: E. R. Lake, Past Commander; E. W. Phillips, Commander; C. W. LeVee, Lieut. Com.; Jos. H. Wilson, Record Keeper; Victor P. Moses, Musician; Rev. F. L. Moore, Chaplain; Dr. L. G. Altman, Tent Physician; John F. Irwin, Sergeant; W. L. Sharp, Master at Arms; Walter A. Sconce, 1st M. of G.; Columbus Read, 2nd M. of G.; D. R. Norton, Sentinel; R. J. Erwin, Picket; R. L. Taylor, Master of Property Room.
The electric storm Sunday was the most severe that has been experienced in Corvallis in years. It was near enough and powerful enough to burn out the platinum wires of the fuse-board at the telephone office in this place. During the progress of the storm there were sounds like the explosion of firecrackers at the office and Miss Emma Crawford, who is "central," became considerably alarmed. Luckily, a number of the telephone company's men were in town and the damage was quickly repaired. The convulsions were powerful enough to shake things up pretty well, make dishes rattle, etc.
The teachers of the public school tendered a reception to the directors of district No. 9, at the residence of Mrs. P. P. Greffoz, Friday evening. Besides the teachers, those present were Judge W. S. McFadden, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Buchanan, Superintendent, and Miss Anna Denman. The company resolved itself into a body of school urchins and school days were lived over again. The antics of the Judge removed all doubt of his having been the proverbial "bad boy" of his district. The teachers returned to their classrooms Monday morning with a feeling of thankfulness that the spirit of mischievousness is not so pronounced in children now as was evidently the case forty or fifty years ago.

We are not Barnstormers.

It is a pleasure to be able to speak a word of praise in behalf of an entertainment without offending your conscience. While this paper has always avoided commendation where it has been undesired, it has often done so at the expense of the good will of parties interested. Were this policy pursued, however, by the press of the state, theatre-goers would not be so often uncooled, and legitimate performers would be more liberally rewarded. The appearance of the "Josh Spruceby" barnstormers a few nights ago, so disgusted patrons of the opera house, that Joseph Muller's really excellent company had to be content with a small audience, and stay-at-homes missed the best entertainment given here this season.
"Under Sealed Orders," a dramatization of Kipling's thrilling story by that name, has retained all its interest and strength in the stage version. In its production here, the scenery was elaborate and the costuming appropriate. Every part in the cast was in capable hands, but the work of Miss Kelson and Messrs. Whitaker, DeCamp, McGinn and Hooley is especially to be commended.
Miss Kelson and Mr. Hooley are not strangers to Corvallis audiences, and the good things expected of them were fully realized.
Friday night the company presented "The Girl From Chili," but numerous counter-attractions served as a reason for the small house which greeted them.

Mrs. Jane Hurley.

Mrs. Jane Moore Hurley, who died recently at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Andrew Emerick, in Portland, was the mother of the late Judge Hurley and A. M. Hurley. The former was a circuit judge at Portland until his death, a few years ago, and was highly honored. A. M. Hurley was once a prominent citizen of Corvallis.
About five years ago, while residing with her daughter in this city, Mrs. Hurley met with a fall, which resulted in the fracture of a hip, which never knit, and since the accident she has been a helpless invalid, and had to be handled like a child, but through the years of her sufferings she was always patient and uncomplaining.
Mrs. Hurley was born on the Bay of Fundy, June 18, 1805. She was married to Rev. Andrew Hurley near Picton City, in the Province of Nova Scotia, October 23, 1832. In 1847 she was left a widow. In 1864, with her children she crossed the plains with an ox team, managing her affairs on the long journey with the help of her children. Their first years were spent in the Powder River valley, Baker county. Afterwards settling at Salem she began the practice of medicine, and continued it for a number of years. Her two sons, Judge and A. M. Hurley, became prominent and respected citizens.
From the injury received Mrs. Hurley has been confined to her bed since March, 1896, suffering almost constantly. She was a devoted Christian, having been an active member of the church since she was 15 years old. During the past three months her sufferings were greatly intensified. Thanksgiving day she lapsed into a semi-conscious condition, and remained so until her death. Three daughters survive her—Mrs. E. E. Emerick and Mrs. S. A. Robinson, of Portland, and Mrs. B. Pleter, of Condon, Oregon.

Band Concert.

Following is the program to be rendered at the band concert Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock, from the balcony of the Occidental:
March, "Metronome".....Heed
Overture, "Lustspiel".....Keler-Bela
Mexican Dance, "Maria".....Davila
Overture, "L'Amazone".....Laurendeau
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POULTRY SHOW OPENS TODAY.

A Sketch of Geo. W. Downs, of Portland, Who will Award the Premiums.

Such a cackling of hens and crowing of cocks as has been going on for the past two days, has never been heard in Corvallis before, not even at the close of a presidential election. Yesterday was the eve of the poultry show so eagerly awaited by our people, and a prying reporter, taking advantage of the license of the press, took a peep behind the scenes before the performance was in shape for public presentation.
The entire lower floor of the Allen & Farra brick, which has been fitted up as a show room, was filled with coops nicely arranged for display, and over 200 fowls, mostly from Linn and Benton counties, were being weighed and marked for exhibition. Half a dozen men were hustling about making preparation for the hundreds of birds entered from all sections of the state which were to arrive on the Southern Pacific and afternoon trains.
We all think we have seen some pretty fowls, but the average barnyard chicken is as homely as a mud fence compared with the prize beauties now ready for exhibition at the poultry show in this city. If you have never seen a plumed and groomed Plymouth Rock, White Leghorn, Minorca or the fifty other breeds the poultrymen of the state are now presenting to the local public, you should not let the opportunity slip to see them. We never imagined such shapeliness, style and beautiful plumage ever adorned that class of birds usually given little attention and commonly spoken of as branyard fowls.

bird always wins, Mr. Downs remarked that for a certainty they did not. All judges make mistakes, as also do all clerks. A good clerk is just as important as a good judge. He firmly believes the score card to be the best way of judging, if the work is properly done and properly checked. It is much more of an educator than comparison judging. The beginner especially wishes to know how near his birds scored to the prizewinners, if they do not win and as Mr. Downs says, the most information comparison judging gives to non-prizewinners is that they got left. The score card should tell one how good his birds are; if he should keep part, all or discard altogether his present stock and start new. The Association is composed mostly of experienced breeders that have had considerable experience in the management of the state shows. There will be some very fine birds shown by the local fanciers and in addition there will be birds from Portland and elsewhere, some of which have just returned home from the Oakland California Show victorious.
That the show will be a success is warranted by the number of entries now received. Such a lot of crowing, cackling beauties, all in their Sunday best will be a sight long to be remembered in Corvallis. Follow the crowd and find the place.

Additional Local
Mr. Moss, advance man for "A Breezy Time," was for many years a resident of Corvallis. He spent Saturday and Sunday renewing old acquaintances here, and making new ones.
The Corvallis Commission Co has so increased its business that it has been found necessary to have a truck of its own. A vehicle of this description has just been completed by the Corvallis foundry and was put in operation by the commission company Monday.
The December "Barometer," issued by the student body of the O. A. C. has just reached our table. It has a new cover, page, artistic conception and pleasing in design, which we trust will be made permanent. The drawing is the work of F. D. McLouth, of the college staff of instructors.
Ferguson Chapter No. 5, Royal Arch Masons, elected the following officers for the ensuing term at their meeting last week: High priest, S. Chipman; king, J. F. Yates; scribe, H. W. Hall; captain of host, W. E. Yates; R. A. captain William Groves; principal sejourner; E. Holgate; secretary, Z. H. Davis; treasurer, M. S. Woodcock; Tyler, J. B. Horner; master of the veil, J. F. Fulton, J. B. Irvine and S. N. Lilly.

The senior class at the college gave a rhetorical Friday afternoon, the following being the program: Overture, "Home Circle;" oration, "The World Workers;" Myrtle Herbert; oration, "Just Before the Dawn;" Maud Hoover; solo, Lulu Spangler; oration, "The Present Movement Toward the Development of Oregon History;" Lizzie Hoover; oration, "Marcus Whitman;" Ivan Brown; Medley, Waltz, orchestra. At the close of the program Prof. J. B. Patterson, the new physical instructor, gave a very clever exhibition of club swinging.
Owing to a misunderstanding between the county officials and a representative of the telephone company, regarding a contract entered into by both parties for the placing a system of call bells in the various offices of the court house, the 'phones were recently ordered out of the building. The matter reached the ears of the superintendent of the company in Portland and he immediately informed the county court that the company would comply with its contract to put in a system of call bells for the sum of \$21.50. The 'phones will, therefore, be replaced.

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The premiums will be awarded by Judge G. W. Downs, of Portland, who arrived on the West Side yesterday, and commenced placing the awards and scoring the poultry almost immediately on his arrival.
We give a half-tone out of Judge Downs in this column, and it is pronounced by those who have met him to be a good likeness. He was born in Pittsburgh, Pa., June 21st, 1858, and has bred poultry ever since he was able to handle them. He commenced with Light Brahmas thirty years ago; later taking up White Leghorns, following with Brown Leghorns, then Barred Plymouth Rocks and back to Light Brahmas, then to Black Cochins. He then emigrated to Oregon. Again taking up Light Brahmas, then disposing of all of these and trying Black Langshans, Black Minorcas, Buff Cochins, White and Silver Wyandots, but finally settled down to Barred Plymouth Rocks, always aiming to acquire a knowledge of the different breeds that would qualify him to judge them. As to how successful he has been we quote the following from Oregon's official poultry paper, issued just after the State Fair:
"Our local judge, George W. Downs, seems to have given good satisfaction in his decisions at the State Fair poultry show—so far, not a complaint."
"Judge Downs gave excellent and impartial decisions throughout and there was no criticisms heard among the breeders although there was naturally some disappointments."
It has frequently been said that Mr. Downs gives no inflated scores. A bird scored under him will score just as much under any other judge. There is one thing he is proud of, that there has never been a bird disqualified by other judges where Downs had previously scored him, as he always finds the defects. As Amos Wilkins once said, he can just look a feather on a chicken's leg if he wants to. When asked if the best

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