

The English government recently appointed a select committee to investigate the sale of "patent medicines" (nostrums) and their advertisements. The vendors have immediately taken alarm and under the chairmanship of Sir Joseph Beecham, the proprietor of "Beecham pills," a committee of the "Owners of Proprietary Articles Section" of the London Chamber of Commerce has met for the purpose of defense.

Bryan's Ghost.

Although thrice defeated for President of the United States and at war with some of the most powerful political leaders of his own party, the Ghost of William Jennings Bryan still haunts his enemies and promises to walk in broad daylight before the assembled delegates at the Baltimore convention.

That Senator Root is a modern Lord Chesterfield is indicated by the following interview: Senator Root intimated, with a smile, that the Chicago convention might be a very lively affair, and that the fighting would probably start at the door.

"Do you look for Mr. Roosevelt to bolt if he fails to win the nomination?" "He will not bolt if he is nominated," said Mr. Root with the wisdom of a delphic oracle.

The re-election of United States Senator Kenyon indicates that the republicans of Iowa and the middle west believe in "standing pat" for progressive men and progressive measures. No candidate who is allied with Wall Street or who has any of the earmarks of a reactionary can appeal strongly to the independent voters of the Corn Belt.

History records the fact that Grover Cleveland called out the federal troops to maintain order among the Chicago strikers. Wonder what steps will be taken to maintain order among the delegates attending the Chicago convention?

"Roosevelt will ride rough-shod over Taft delegates at Chicago," says a press dispatch. Well, Colonel Roosevelt has already qualified as "a rough rider."

CHANGES IN THE OFFICE FORCE OF THE OREGON POWER COMPANY

D. C. Lewis, formerly of Portland, is now the manager of the New Business Department of the Oregon Power Company, having succeeded A. S. Harrington who has been transferred to Eugene.

C. J. Bayles, of Corvallis, was in the Hub City yesterday afternoon looking after business matters.

Ernest Rex, of this city, who has been looking after business matters in Seaside this week, went to Lebanon this morning.

Prad T. Lilly came over from Seaside yesterday and spent the day visiting friends and looking after business matters.

ALBANY DEBATERS STATE CHAMPIONS

Won Contest At Eugene and Receive Unanimous Vote of the Judges.

OHLING AND ACHESON BRING BACK HANDSOME SILVER CUP

Local Duo Supported Negative Side of Question To Adopt Cabinet Plan.

By a unanimous decision of the judges, Charles P. Ohling and Irvine Acheson, the silver-tongued orators of Albany High School, won the interscholastic championship of Oregon, when they defeated the duo from The Dalles High School in Eugene last night.

The local team had the negative side of the question "Resolved, That the System of Government in Oregon Would Be Improved by the Adoption of the National Cabinet Plan, allowing the Governor and Members of the Cabinet to Introduce and Debate Measures in the Legislature."

The victory at Eugene last night gives Albany the beautiful silver cup offered by the regents of the University of Oregon, which will be added to the trophies captured by Albany High in the past.

This morning's Eugene Register gives the following account of the debate: In the debate last night in Villard hall between the Albany High School team and the team of The Dalles High School, deciding the championship of the Oregon High School Debating League, the decision was given by the judges to Albany by a unanimous vote.

Howard McDonald opened the discussion as the leader, for The Dalles, taking the affirmative on the question: "Resolved, That the system of government in Oregon would be improved by the adoption of the National Cabinet plan, allowing the governor and cabinet members to introduce and debate measures in the legislature."

McDonald supported his contentions by excellent arguments, delivered in a pleasing and deliberate manner. He demonstrated that with this plan, men in the cabinet would be the men best fitted and prepared to propose and debate measures in the legislature which come directly under their department, citing in particular the case of the state superintendent of schools.

Charles Ohling, leader for the Albany team, opened for the negative and attacked the plan, deeming it to be undemocratic, and against the general trend of government in this state. He cited the case of the state of New Jersey and argued that the fact that the state was overrun with trusts was due to the adoption of National Cabinet plan.

Miss Erma Bennett of the affirmative, made the contention that the plan would shorten the ballot and do away with unintelligent voting on this account. Her argument was based mainly on the contention that the National Cabinet plan would improve the character of the government of the state. Miss Bennett has an excellent voice and used it in a very effective way, bringing out the main point clearly.

Irvine Acheson, second speaker for Albany, followed Miss Bennett, contending that the reasons for a change in the government should be of more importance; that a government that has proven itself so satisfactory should not be made to give way to an uncertain scheme. He also cited the general inferiority of appointed officials and the dissatisfaction of the plan where now adopted.

The rebuttal for both sides was keen and to the point and until the decision was announced, no one in the small audience was at all certain of the outcome.

Before the debate Miss Edna Miller rendered a very beautiful vocal solo.

The judges for the debate, were Wm. B. Kenyon, Ralph Moore and James Gilbert.

FORESTERS OF AMERICA HOLD LIVE MEETING AND ELECT NEW OFFICERS

The local lodge, Foresters of America, held a lively session at their hall in this city last night, the evening being devoted to a social session and the routine business of the order followed by the election of officers which resulted as follows:

The misses Mabel and Myrtle Lane of Salem, passed through Albany this morning to Corvallis where they will visit friends for a few days. Miss Mabel is one of Salem's best singers.

FORMER ALBANY RESIDENT SEES MANY IMPROVEMENTS

"Sage Rooster" of Eugene Visits Friends in Hub City Last Thursday.

G. H. Harris of Eugene, a former Albany resident, who is known better by his pen name of "Sage Rooster," visited in Albany on Memorial Day and the wonderful growth of the Hub City so impressed him that after he returned home, he penned the following lines to the Democrat:

As it has been my custom in the past, after making a visit to Albany to mention the many changes that have taken place since my visit a few months ago.

I first wish to speak of your cemetery, as my visit was on Decoration day, and I was truly glad to see them so neat and well kept, and will congratulate the Masonic Order for having the neatest and finest kept cemetery in the Willamette valley.

The City cemetery seems to have been somewhat neglected, but most of the graves were neat and well decorated. I was well pleased to note the large attendance at the Decoration exercises.

I find on each visit to Albany that the town is improving at a wonderful rate. I find since my last visit that the fine St. Francis hotel, the S. E. Young block, the bank building, all elaborate pressed brick buildings, and a credit to any city, have been finished. Also many other smaller business buildings and fine dwellings.

All of these improvements together with the completion of the Oregon Electric compels me to say that any person looking for a location should not pass Albany by. If they do they are missing the chance of their life.

While I am enthusiastic over the growth of Albany, I do not forget that Eugene, too, is on the map, and is making wonderful strides in the way of improvements and developments, and the homeseker from the East, North, or South, should make it a point to investigate the resources and conditions in and around Eugene before locating elsewhere. (Except Albany.)

It is hard to tell who has the right-of-way here in Eugene, the autos, the dogs, or the P. E. & E. The auto is allowed to run 15 miles an hour anywhere in the city limits. The dogs are allowed to run 25 miles an hour on any street, lawn or garden, and the P. E. & E. is it, and is trying to run on the sidewalks.

It has developed so fast in Eugene that the streets are not large enough for it. So the company started to cut Ex-Mayor Matlock's cement walk at the corner of Willamette and Eighth street. Mr. Matlock stopped them as he has a large 3-story brick house on the corner and seriously objected to so close a relation with the company. So there is a fight on and probably a delay and torn up streets for some time.

It is always a pleasure to the writer to visit Albany and meet so many old friends of the long ago, and to say something or write something that will benefit them.

SAGE ROOSTER.

TWIN DAUGHTERS OF MASSACHUSETTS COUPLE ARE MODERN SIAMESE TWINS

Holyoke, Mass., June 4.—The twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. John Griggs, born a week ago with bodies joined together like those of the famous Siamese twins, are happy and healthy and apparently are gaining strength daily. If the Griggs twins live to grow—and the attending physicians say there is no reason why they should not—the case will be the second authenticated instance of the kind in history.

The Siamese twins, who died in 1874 at the age of 63, were joined by a fleshy ligament at the chest. The Griggs twins are joined at the lips by a ligament which the physicians believe may ossify.

For a few days after the birth of the twins, their separation by an operation was considered. Practical certainty that the operation would result in the death of one and might prove fatal to both led to the abandonment of the idea. Aside from the fact that they are joined at the lips, the twins have no more in common than any other twins. One smiles while the other cries or sleeps. One is slightly larger than the other and eats more than her sister.

BODY OF FRED SLOANE FOUND BY LOGGERS IN SANTIAM RIVER SUNDAY

Lebanon, Or., June 4.—The body of Fred Sloan, who was drowned in the Santiam river above Foster, April 10, was found about three miles above Waterloo Saturday. Sloan lost his life while working on a log drive for the Lebanon Lumber Company. His body was found by members of the same crew. It is supposed the body lay in a deep hole near where the drowning occurred until a few days ago, when it rose and floated down stream where it was found.

The deceased has a sister and two brothers living near Crawfordville, who came over after the body and took it to Crawfordville for burial.

Judge L. L. Swan, of this city, returned home at noon today from Newport where he has been enjoying the sea breezes for the past few days. He brought home a fine string of fish, which he managed to coax out of the water.

COMMERCIAL CLUB HOLDS LIVE SESSION

Lowenberg Stove Factory Was Discussed At Length by the Members.

INVITATION IS RECEIVED TO VISIT MEWPORT JUNE 20

F. M. French Wants to Know Why New Filtration Plant Is Not Working.

A large crowd attended the regular meeting of the Albany Commercial Club which was held at 7:30 o'clock last evening at the club rooms.

Hon. F. J. Miller in a communication to the club in reference to the removal of the Lowenberg Stove Factory to this city from Salem, placed the value of the plant at \$40,000, and said that the probable payroll of the plant would be less than reported. Mr. Miller thought that the bonus of \$10,000 asked for was too high and said that a bonus of six or seven thousand dollars would be reasonable. The matter after discussion was referred back to the committee on manufactures.

T. J. Kersha of Newport, in a letter to the club, invited the members to come by excursion to Newport on June 20 to attend the opening of the Nicolai hotel, which will be attended by Governor Oswald West and other prominent people of the Willamette Valley. However, as the date conflicts with the Pioneer picnic at Brownsville, the secretary was directed to suggest a different date.

J. S. Van Winkle addressed the club stating that Congressman Hawley had written him regarding the additional appropriation of \$10,000 for the Albany postoffice building would be favorably reported on by the subcommittee.

The state fair board in a communication received yesterday thanked the club for their action in the interest of a Linn county exhibit.

F. M. French wanted to know why the new filtration plant of the Oregon Power Company which was recently completed at this city was not at work, suggesting that it was getting tiresome eating sand and mud, and washing in gravel. The investigation of sand for filtration purposes was given as the cause of the delay.

The poor condition of the roads leading into Albany furnished a lively discussion for some little time and action to secure better conditions will probably be taken soon.

The annual meeting of the club was set of June 17 and a committee composed of Messrs. George H. Crowell, J. S. Van Winkle, Charles H. Stewart, were appointed on arrangements.

GOVERNOR WEST WOULD COMPEL THE SALOON MEN TO CARE FOR VICTIMS

Salem, Or., June 3.—Declaring his belief that every industry should be compelled to take care of its own maimed and injured, Governor West said he included in this the saloon business as well as the mills and factories. He advocates making saloon men provide an institution or home, where men or women who have been made decrepit, worn out and helpless by the use of liquor may be cared for at the expense of the saloon business.

"Nearly all of us favor a just compensation law," said Governor West, "and I think this should include every industry, the saloon as well as the sawmill. If the saloon has its maimed and wounded, which include the army of old drunks, there is no reason why such should be sent to the poor farm or the insane asylum to be supported by the taxpayers who have no interest in the sale of liquors. They should be sent to a home and be supported by a tax on the business that put them in that condition."

GRANTS PASS MAN AND DAUGHTER ARE INJURED WHEN CAR LEAVES THE ROAD

Grants Pass, Or., June 3.—Wynman Eaton and his daughter met a severe accident yesterday morning at 11 o'clock while driving a passenger automobile in the Galtie district, about 15 miles from here.

While on a short turn the car went over an embankment with a 20 foot fall and rolled about 40 feet before it stopped. Miss Eaton jumped and escaped with light bruises, but the car overturned and settled on Mr. Eaton, producing internal injuries in the abdomen, the extent of which is not yet known; also scalp wounds and cuts on the face.

Dr. Traux of this city was called and believes the internal injuries not serious. Eaton had a comfortable night, and will be brought to Grants Pass tomorrow morning if he continues to improve.

Mr. Eaton and his son George were former residents of Hood River, and now own a several hundred acre ranch four miles west of Grants Pass.

MRS. GESELBRACHT TELLS COLLEGE STUDENTS ABOUT LIFE IN GERMANY

Yesterday morning at the College chapel Mrs. F. H. Geselbracht read a delightful and much appreciated paper on "Life in Germany." She started her hearers at once on an ocean trip on a German liner, and described the many meals that are fed to the passengers in a single day. She pictured graphically the appearance of the German country with every foot of land beautiful and most thoroughly cultivated. She described phases of German city life and police supervision, and developed at some length the musical and educational opportunities of that wonderful land. At the close of the paper the audience generally wanted to go to Germany.

Examinations at Albany College begin tomorrow. The last recitations of the fifth semester were being held today.

PRUNES ARE FIVE CENTS PER IN A FASHIONABLE CHICAGO INN

Chicago, June 4.—An explosion occurred in the luxuriously appointed dining-room of the Congress Hotel today when a mild-looking man, seated near a window on the Michigan avenue side, received his bill, the smallest of many items on which read: "Prunes, 40 cents."

"Please have that item corrected," said the guest.

"It's quite correct, sir," said the waiter. "Prunes, 40 cents. Quite correct, sir."

"What! Forty cents for eight prunes?" "Yes, sir. Here's the menu. Look, sir: 'Stewed prunes, 40 cents.'"

"Well, I've heard of the high cost of living," said the guest, "but this is the dizziest height yet reached." Inquiries made later of the managers, maitres d'hotel, chefs and chief stewards of the Blackstone, the Congress, the La Salle, the Hotel Sherman, Rector's, College Inn and other leading hotels, resulted in the discovery that the guest at the Congress would be charged at the same rate at any of the other hotels. The flat rate at each hostelry is five cents for each stewed prune.

REGISTRATION OF LAND TITLE

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Linn County.

In the matter of the application of W. W. Paine to register the title to the following described premises, to-wit:

Beginning at a point which is 10.00 chains North of the Northwest corner of Berry James's Donation Land Claim, same being Notification No. 7620, Claim No. 40, in Township 11 S., R. 1 East of the Willamette Meridian, in Linn County, Oregon, and running thence North 25.31 chains, to the Northwest corner of the Southwest quarter of Section 19 in said Township and Range; thence East 75.78 chains to the West boundary line of Jos. Elkins's Donation Land Claim; thence South 7.18 chains to the Southwest corner of said Elkins's Donation Land Claim; thence East along the South Boundary line of said Donation Land Claim 14.81 chains to the Northeast corner of Robert Watkinson's Donation Land Claim; thence South 40.12 chains along the East boundary line of said Donation Land Claim to the Southeast corner of same; thence West along the South boundary line of said Donation Land Claim 17.82 chains; thence South 28.78 chains to the South boundary line of said Berry James's Donation Land Claim; thence West along the South boundary line of said Berry James's Donation Land Claim 9.89 chains; thence North 28.78 chains to the South boundary line of Robert Watkinson's Donation Land Claim; thence West 23.23 chains; thence North 12.00 chains to the North boundary line of said Berry James's Donation Land Claim; thence West 10.00 chains to the East of the North-west corner of said Donation Land Claim; thence North 10.00 chains; thence West 10.00 chains to the place of beginning, containing 388.78 acres, more or less.

Against Edward E. Paine, and all whom it may concern, defaulters.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Take notice, that on the 5th day of June, 1912, an application was filed by said W. W. Paine in the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Linn County for initial registration of the title to the land above described. Now, unless you appear on or before the 15th day of July, 1912, and show cause why such application shall not be granted, the same will be taken as confessed, and a decree will be entered according to the prayer of the application, and you will be forever barred from disputing the same.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Circuit Court, this 5th day of June, 1912.

W. L. MARKS, County Clerk and ex-officio Clerk of the Circuit Court of Linn County, Oregon.

HEWITT & SOX, Attorneys for Applicant. 7-Jul-5

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned was on the 5th day of June, 1912, duly appointed Administratrix of the estate of James Sanderson, deceased, by the County Court of Linn County, Oregon. Any and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same to the undersigned at Thomas, Oregon, or to Weatherford & Weatherford, her attorneys, at Albany, Oregon, within six months from this date verified as by law required. Dated this 5th day of June, 1912.

LURELLA HOLLIDAY, Administratrix. WEATHERFORD & WEATHERFORD, Attorneys for Admrs. 7-Jul-5

BOOSTERS LEAVE ON AUTOMOBILE TRIP

Seven Cars Depart From City At Six o'Clock For Four of Valley Towns.

WILL ARRIVE IN EUGENE IN TIME FOR DINNER AT NOON

Return Trip Will Include Stops at Monroe, Springfield and Corvallis.

Promptly at 6:45 o'clock seven autos filled with Albany residents left the city on an all-day tour of the Willamette Valley where today they will tell the people about the big celebration which will be held in the Hub City on July 4 to celebrate the coming of the Oregon Electric Ry. to this city.

Each car carried a banner, displaying in large letters the words "Oregon Electric Celebration, Albany, July 4," in letters that were large enough to be read a long distance off.

The itinerary for today's trip includes the towns of Tangent, Shedd, Halsey, Harrisburg, Junction City, and Eugene.

Manager Stewart of the Commercial Club phoned to Eugene last night and announced the coming of the auto train of boosters, and was assured that a large crowd would be on hand at the Eugene Commercial Club to greet them upon their arrival in the University City.

They will probably arrive in Eugene about 11 o'clock this morning and will remain there until after dinner, when they will go to Springfield. After spending several hours advertising the celebration in Springfield the party will go back through Eugene to Monroe where a stop will be made. After leaving Monroe the caravan will proceed direct to Corvallis where they are due to arrive at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon.

They will be met by a large delegation from the Corvallis Commercial Club upon their arrival in the College City, where after advertising the celebration, they will be taken to the club rooms for a short rest before starting back home, where they will arrive at about 6 o'clock.

The party is composed of about 50 residents of Albany and with the beautiful weather which has prevailed today the trip was no doubt an enjoyable one.

Tomorrow another auto excursion will leave the city and tour the northern and eastern parts of the county, stopping at Independence, Dallas, Monmouth, Salem, Turner, Aumsville, Sublimity, Stayton, Scio, Lebanon and Jefferson.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of Mary F. Rhoades, deceased, by the County Court of Linn County, Oregon. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present them, duly verified as by law required, within six months from the date of this notice, at the office of T. J. Stites, in Albany, Oregon.

Dated May 24, 1912.

NELLIE R. MYERS, Administratrix. T. J. STITES, Attorney for Adm.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned was on the 12th day of April, 1912, duly appointed by the County Court of Linn County, Ore., administrator of the estate of W. H. Cleavinger, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present them, properly verified, at the office of Wm. S. Risley, in Albany, Oregon, within six months from this date.

Dated this 2nd day of May, 1912.

WILLARD CLEAVINGER, Administrator. WM. S. RISLEY, Attorney for Administrator.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been by the County Court of Linn county, Oregon, duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of Mathew Acheson, late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against the estate of said deceased are hereby required to present the same, with the proper vouchers, to the undersigned, at the office of Hewitt & Sox, in the City of Albany, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated April 12, 1912.

I. R. ACHESON, Executor. HEWITT & SOX, Attorneys for Executor.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE

In the County Court of Linn County, Oregon. TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed, administratrix of A. D. Horner, deceased, by the said court, therefore all persons having claims against the notified and required to present the same to me with the proper vouchers at the law office of W. R. Blyden in the city of Albany, Linn County, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

Dated this 5th day of June, 1912.

MRS. R. M. HORNER, Administratrix of said deceased. 7-Jul-5

Prof. C. O. Hargrave, the well-known music instructor of Portland, arrived this morning from Lebanon where he has a class.