

THE COVE.

Teachers Chosen for the Ensuing School Year.

DEATH CHOSE A SHINING MARK.

Blackbirds Doing Damage—The Butter Industry—Personal Mention.

Miss Susie Smith, of Baker City, is visiting at her uncle's Rev. Mr. Powell's.

Mr. W. R. Holmes, cashier of the Enterprise bank, was in Cove last week.

Born, to the wife of John Allen, on August 7th, a daughter. Mother and the strange young lady doing well.

The McDonald residence property is being beautified by a new coat of paint, Mr. Samuel White doing the artistic work.

Mr. Frank Puy left for Gray's Harbor City last Thursday. He expects to spend the winter in that locality, and will probably embark in the real estate business.

Sports in these parts are anxiously awaiting the announcement of some great attraction at the new Union baseball park. Where are the sprinters and baseballists?

The corresponding public does not generally know that a postmaster may send an envelope with stamp affixed on any part except on upper right hand corner to the dead letter office.

Mr. J. M. Selder has completed an ice house and cold storage room at his dairy farm. He is manufacturing butter on a large scale and ships weekly in refrigerator cases to the Walla Walla market.

Blackbirds are unusually numerous this season. Immense flocks are feeding in the oat fields and corn patches, doing much damage. Three shots at John Wagner's place bagged eighty birds last Saturday.

Mr. Lee Wilson arrived from Banner, Idaho, where he has been working in the mines. He says that the Banner mine is improving in richness. The price now asked for the property is one and a half million dollars. A cool million has been offered. A syndicate of Covites is talking of making the purchase.

At a meeting of the school board, of Cove district, Monday, Mrs. May Geer was chosen principal at a salary of \$75 per month, and Miss Lillian Collison, of Phoenix, N. Y., assistant at \$50. School will commence Oct. 6th, and continue six months. Miss Collison is a niece of M. J. Duffy, of Cove, and comes highly recommended.

Died, at Cove, August 7th, after a brief illness of throat and stomach trouble, Edith Virginia Conklin. She would have attained her thirteenth year September 1st. Seldom does a visitation of the Angel of Death cause such universal sorrow in the community as in this case. Her bright wit and perfect behavior attracted every one she came in contact with, and made her a favorite with all. As so often happens Death chose a shining mark. Her mind was unusually susceptible to the acquiring of knowledge, and at school she was always foremost in her classes, yet without much apparent effort. Particularly in music, composition and sketching she was making remarkable progress and showed wonderful proficiency for one so young. A half hour before the end of the deceased was sitting up in bed, and with much animation was conversing with those near her. Her father cautioned her about tiring herself, but she replied that she felt like talking. Very soon after, she suddenly exclaimed, "Oh! papa, I am going to die," and in a few moments without speaking again she breathed her last. Her loving sister, who was her constant companion, her father, and other relatives, could scarcely realize that their darling Edith had closed her eyes forever, and in many years to come was only to be as a sweet memory. Created with a brilliant mind, made lovable in every way, surrounded with adoring friends and relatives, yet torn ruthlessly away, no mortal intellect can shed the least glimmer of light on the motive of the omnipotent Power that so directs. The funeral sermon will be preached by Rev. Mr. Powell, Sunday August 17th at 4 p. m. in the Episcopal church.

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EAGLE VALLEY.

An Account of the Picnic—Matters of General Interest.

The following items were received too late for publication last week but are still good.—*Editor.*

The people of Eagle valley are rejoicing over the great success of their Harvest Home picnic. There was never a day that was spent more pleasantly. About 1200 people were present, representing almost every town and neighborhood in Union and Baker counties. Many old pioneers were present and enjoyed themselves talking over old times, in the days of the red men and wild beasts of the forest. Some of them had not been in Eagle valley for twelve years and looking over the brilliant prospect regretted that they did not stay while they were here. Able addresses were delivered by Hon. Theo. Crawford, of Union, Hon. Dunham Wright, of Medical Springs, and Hon. Sam'l P. Putnam of San Francisco. The speeches by the young ladies were very well rendered and appropriate. Miss Scott of the Sparta school, brought five of her little pupils down, and they spoke a piece in splendid style. Miss Scott deserves great credit as a teacher. The afternoon was spent in various sports. Five young ladies entered the riding contest; Miss Della Morris, Miss Clara Craig, Miss Amanda Young, Miss Alta Holcomb and Mrs. Benneloff. They all rode well but Miss Morris received the first premium and Miss Holcomb the second premium. Next came wheelbarrow races, egg races, old men's race and tournament riding. After supper the large and well constructed platform was put in order and dancing was indulged in all night. Ninety-eight numbers were sold. The band boys furnished excellent music.

There was a large display of fruit and vegetables, also of honey bees and honey. The first premium on bees was awarded to Harry Barrows, and the second premium has given to Chas. Wise. These gentlemen deserve great praise for making so nice a display of bees and honey in the comb.

W. W. Kirby says that Uncle Jimmy Po has the best honey he ever tasted. Mr. Po made him a present of a can of honey, recently. Success to Mr. Po as a bee man.

The first premium for vegetables was awarded to John Frazier, the second premium to Frank P. Lee. We did not learn to whom the third premium was awarded.

Mr. Frank Lee, as master of ceremonies, did good work all day. At night Mr. Beardsly, of Sparta, kept everything running quietly and smoothly. Great praise is due our cooks who placed before the people such an excellent dinner. There was enough provisions for three times the number of people present.

Hon. Sam'l P. Putnam arrived in Eagle valley July 30th and lectured that evening and on the following evening to large audiences. Mr. Putnam made many warm friends here during his stay who will gladly welcome him again. Several from Pine valley attended the lectures and were greatly pleased. They want him to lecture in Pine if he comes this way again. K.

Indians and Baseball.

Indians are lovers of baseball. The Valley Record says: "Two of the Indians belonging to the Klamath agency nine, who are the champions of Klamath county are in the city arranging for a game with the pale faces of Ashland. They want to put \$500 worth of ponies against \$500 cash, the game to be played the day before circus. They say they want lots of money to see 'the elephant' with, and being enthusiastic over their own ability, want to get it in spite of the hard times in Klamath. When these swashes attempt to bat one of Van Tassel's curves, poor Lo's untutored cranium will think the ball is 'hoodooed.' Their tally sheet will look as though a cyclone had struck it."

The Pulpit and the Stage.

Rev. F. M. Shroun, pastor United Brethren Church, Blue Mound, Kan., says: "I feel it my duty to tell what wonders Dr. King's New Discovery has done for me. My lungs were badly diseased, and my parishioners thought I could live only a few weeks. I took five bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery and am sound and well, gaining 25 lbs in weight."

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ELGIN LETTER.

An Epitome of the Happenings of the Week.

A FINE COUNTRY CHURCH.

New Buildings Going up—Several Serious Accidents—Other News.

Aug., 9, 1890.

Business quiet. Farmers busy haying. Some binders have been started this week.

Chas. Taylor is erecting a large livery stable.

The Elgin postoffice now has a money order office.

Archbishop Gross lectured in Elgin Tuesday night.

The M. E. church will be dedicated the third Sunday in August by H. K. Hines, D. D.

M. A. Stevenson has rented his building on Main street, and is building a new dwelling house.

Prof. Swinehart closed his school at Pleasant Hill and has gone on a visit to his home in Wisconsin.

Dr. Brownell, druggist, has bought a lot from White on Main street and will build a dwelling house thereon.

R. J. McWilliams has rented the Arlington hotel from E. W. Courtney, and will take possession as soon as it is fully completed.

The new postoffice at Pine Grove will be opened in a few days. It is called Minam and Mrs. Richards will be postmistress.

Tom McElroy is putting up quite an extensive building. The lower part will be for business rooms, the upper for a Masonic hall.

The new church at Pine Grove is nearly completed. It is said by competent judges, to be the finest country church in Eastern Oregon. Rev. H. T. Burger held a series of meetings in the church over last Sunday.

Frank Vaughn at Taylor & Weaver's saw mill, was thrown from a horse and had his collar bone broken. Cortes Goff got his hand into the saw and had one finger cut off. Dr. Ditebrandt dressed the wound and his hand will soon be well, minus one finger.

Mr. Dennis Madden met with a serious accident a few days ago. He was loading hay when a little whirlwind came up and frightened the horses. In trying to stop them he fell down in front of the wagon between the horses and had his shoulder and three ribs broken. Dr. McNaughton was called as soon as possible, and he is fast recovering from his injuries.

ITEMIZER.

PINE VALLEY.

Aug. 8, 1890.

Haying well over.

Quite a number from Pine valley attended the "Harvest Home" picnic in Eagle, others were haying and could not attend.

The family of Mr. Moody of Eagle valley visited friends in Pine recently.

A farewell party was given on the 26th ult., at Cornucopia for Miss Goodall who had just closed her school; Miss G. departed on Monday's stage for her home in Grande Ronde.

Henrietta, J. A. Denney's little daughter, has been quite ill for the past week, with a slow fever. Dr. O'Connor was called and pronounced it the first stage of typhoid fever, but it is hoped that careful nursing and proper medicine have prevailed and that the fever is under control.

Mr. Thomas Profit, in jumping down from a fence recently, had the misfortune to alight on a snag and sprained his ankle so severely as to render him a victim to the use of crutches for a time.

At the beginning of the present term of Pine valley Lodge No. 91 I. O. O. F., the following officers were installed by J. A. Denney, D. D. G. M., viz: T. N. Proffitt, N. G.; Henry Foster, V. G.; A. W. Parker, Rec. Sec.; A. R. Stalker, Treas.

We understand that Mr. Jules Nicholson, for some time past under care of Dr. O'Connor has been removed to the valley and is now convalescent.

Miss Cunningham and Mr. Goodall and Miss Tubising and Mr. Ballard visited friends in the valley recently. Oh! now, we've got their names all mixed, but the girls will probably be changing theirs anyway, so let 'em go. By the way an old lover does sometimes come in very opportunely, don't he Bruce?

Resolutions of Condolence.

To W. M. Washburn and Brothers, Grande Ronde Valley Lodge No. 56, J. E. & A. M.: Your committee appointed to present resolutions upon the death of Bro. John Dobbin, beg leave to report as follows:—

Bro. John Dobbin was born in Highland county, Ohio, March 9, 1841; removed with his parents in 1843 to Illinois, where he resided until 1862, when he came to Oregon and settled in Grande Ronde valley, being one of the first of the pioneers to make settlement in this valley, and where he has since resided a prominent and honored citizen. He died at his home in Union, Oregon, after a lingering illness—extending over about three years—on August 6, 1890.

Bro. Dobbin received the degree of Masonry in La Grande Lodge No. 41; was a charter member and the first Worshipful Master of Grande Ronde Valley Lodge No. 56, and has served the Lodge officially in various other capacities, proving himself always a bright and zealous Mason. He received the degree of Royal Arch Masonry in Grande Ronde Valley Chapter No. 20, of which he was an honored member.

Your committee recommends the adoption of the following preamble and resolutions:

WHEREAS, Worshipful Bro. John Dobbin, the first Master of Grande Ronde Valley Lodge No. 56 has obeyed the summons which sooner or later all of us must heed, and has laid aside the working tools of the terrestrial Lodge and gone to everlasting refreshments in the celestial Grand Lodge above; therefore

Resolved, That in the death of our beloved Brother, Masonry has lost a bright and shining light; a member of acknowledged ability, whose zealous attachment to the principles of the craft was always manifest; whose morality was above reproach; whose charity was broad and open-handed, and whose purity of life and rectitude of conduct won for him the warmest fraternal regards of the order, and the highest esteem and respect of the community in which he lived.

Resolved, That the state has lost a peaceable, law-abiding and patriotic citizen, the community a useful, enterprising, honorable and respected member.

Resolved, That his family has lost a generous, tender and loving husband and father and that this Lodge tender to the bereaved family our deep sympathy in this their great affliction.

Resolved, That we commend to the memory of our deceased Brother, suitably framed and inscribed, be procured by the Worshipful Master of the Lodge, the same to be suspended in the east of the Lodge room.

Resolved, That the Lodge room be draped in mourning for the period of three months.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread at large upon the Lodge records; that a copy thereof be furnished the city papers for publication, and that a copy suitably engrossed and under seal of the Lodge be furnished the family of our deceased Brother.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

W. T. WRIGHT,
C. E. DAVIS, Committee.
F. E. FOSTER.

The Snake River Steamer a Fraud.

The steamer Norma, which recently made her trial trip from the Huntington bridge to the Seven Devils landing, it is said will not make another run during the present season. The Weiser Leader denounces its building as a scheme of wily mine grabbers who wish to obtain control of the Seven Devils by declaring the steamer plan impracticable and creating the impression that there is no feasible route by which these valuable properties can be reached. The consequence of this report would be that the hard-working and industrious prospectors and miners of the camp would become discouraged, and a few Jews, Shylocks and sharps would drop in at the right time, buy up these properties, that are worth untold millions, for a paltry and trifling sum; thus perpetrating an outright robbery on the pioneer prospectors of the camp.

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