

Newsy Items From Douglas County Correspondents

WORK WILL BEGIN ON DRAIN SECTION OF UMPQUA ROAD

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DRAIN, Ore., Aug. 2.—Representatives of the contractors for construction of the Drain-Red Bridge section of the Umpqua highway have been here this week making arrangements to begin the work. Emerson & Peck, a Washington state firm, has men on the ground looking over the situation and expect to begin at once on the grading and surfacing for which they have the contract. These men announce that they expect to operate on those portions of the new road that do not cover on the old roadway, or largely so, during the fall and winter so that travel will not be interfered with. A good portion of the new survey does not touch the old road.

Clyde Catching, who has the contract for the Hardacre creek and Jack creek concrete bridges, has also been here during the week making arrangements to begin on his part of the work. These men will be located in town here during the fall and the work will proceed from this end of the line.

DRAIN BRIEVITIES

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DRAIN, Ore., Aug. 2.—Mrs. W. A. Pralux, of Chiloquin, visited former neighbors here the first of the week, following her attendance at the Trail to Rail celebration at Eugene last week. Mrs. Pralux's husband was publisher of the Drain Enterprise a few years ago.

Mrs. Deulah Ritchey, an employee in the J. T. Redford store, was in Eugene the first of the week for a toilet operation.

Mr. and Mrs. John Safley were in Scottsburg on Monday last to attend the funeral of Chris Hacker, who was an uncle of Mrs. Safley.

Norman Cool met with quite a painful accident on Wednesday while working at the Whipple mill, when a lumber truck wheel ran over his foot, badly lacerating two of his toes.

Philip Snell has announced that he will begin construction of an auto camp at his place on Parker creek seven miles west of town on the Elkton road.

Dr. Bertha Devore announces the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kirk of Curtin, on July 22, and a son to Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Brant of Red Hills, on July 26.

Mr. and Mrs. George McCollum, who own and operate the Highway Coffee Shop, have leased the former Perkins hotel, later the Douglas tavern, now owned by J. N. Post, and will operate it in connection with the eating establishment.

Mrs. Nellie Ryan, who now occupies the former G. V. Sanders dwelling, is preparing to open a private boarding house at her home, primarily for men employed on the new highway construction.

Harry Mason, the South Drain service station proprietor, is preparing ground he recently purchased from Benton Mires for the erection of tourist cabins, the site being just across the street south from the service station.

Mr. and Mrs. Emgrington, recent arrivals from California, have leased the barber shop and outfit in the G. V. Sanders building on First street, adjoining the Lyle confectionery.

Mrs. J. H. Redington went to Portland Tuesday, being called there by the serious illness of her brother and his daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Miller returned home a few days ago from a few weeks' visit with the latter's sister, Mrs. Soderstadt, at Skidmore, Washington.

Rev. and Mrs. C. L. Wood, who have had the pastorate of the local Methodist church since the first of last October, have announced a call to return to the mission field in India, from which they have had a year's furlough, and will leave here on August 12. They have been visiting Mrs. Wood's parents near McMinnville this week and will, following their departure from here, make the trip to Montreal, Canada, by auto, from where they will embark by steamer for India. Their many friends here, and especially their church congregation, very much regret to lose them.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bryson, former residents here, now in the garage business at Cottage Grove, were here Friday on their way to Winchester Bay for a few days' outing.

Ira Wimberly and his son Lester have been employed the past couple of weeks erecting a private garage and work shop at the home place.

WILBUR ITEMS

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WILBUR, Ore., Aug. 2.—Among the many people of this neighborhood who attended the pageant at Eugene were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sands and Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Marsters.

Mrs. Anna Bradley returned to Wilbur after visiting a month in eastern Oregon.

Mrs. Godsey and daughters, Mrs. Irene and daughters, Mrs. Anna Bradley, Mrs. Carolyn Horney, Mrs. Anna Bradley, Mrs. Kittie Marsters and daughter Betty left this morning to spend several days at Bandon and other coast points.

Richard Horney is attending the summer sessions at the Ashland Normal school.

C. W. Chapman accompanied his

son and daughter to their home in Tacoma this week and will be away several weeks.

There will be a clinic for children of pre-school age held at the school house on Tuesday, August 13, at 1:30 p. m.

Those who were present from Wilbur at the picnic of the Douglas county Public Health association were Mrs. Inna Ferguson, Misses Jane Irving, Irene Walker and Marie Walker, and Messrs. E. S. Bailey and B. B. Irving.

Mrs. Francis Grubbe and Mrs. Walter Kinsel spent the weekend in Eugene attending the Sunset Trail pageant.

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. McKay, Clifford McKay and Mrs. Lorraine Bacon went to Portland last Sunday, called there by the death of Mr. McKay's brother-in-law, William Griffith.

DIAMOND LAKE BRIEFS

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DIAMOND LAKE, Ore., Aug. 2.—K. P. McReynolds and wife recently returned to Roseburg from Diamond lake where Mr. McReynolds has been doing special surveying for the forest service.

Mr. Churchill and family of Yoncalla are spending a few days camping and visiting with their son, Leroy, who is fireman at Kelsay valley.

Archie Taylor and family of Roseburg are spending a few days camping at Diamond lake.

Art Millard of Lookingglass is spending a few days visiting with John Montgomery, Diamond lake fireman.

Guy Conley and family of Myrtle Creek are registered as campers at Diamond lake.

July 26 an electrical storm passed over the Diamond lake district, but no fires are reported here as a result of it.

HAYHURST NEWS

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YONCALLA, Ore., Aug. 2.—Mr. and Mrs. Ira Bernard came up from North Bend on Monday and after a short visit with the latter's sister, Mrs. Florence Miller, they left for Klamath Falls. They took their nephew, Robert Miller, with them. They expect to visit Crater lake and other points, but will return in a week.

Mrs. Emma Miller attended the Sunset Trail celebration at Eugene during the three days it lasted, also visited with her son, Leslie Miller, and family. She considered the pageant, parade and other features very beautiful and interesting.

Mrs. Julia Bridges is visiting relatives and friends in Hayhurst this week.

Mrs. Floyd Williams, and two

Familiar Scenes Bestir Poetess Rode On First Railway Train Returns To See Old Family Home

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GLENDALE, Aug. 3.—Mrs. Celia E. Langenberg of San Francisco, Cal., arrived here the fore part of the week to visit with her relatives and many friends. Mrs. Langenberg is well known to Douglas county folks, especially to the older residents, as she was born of pioneer parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Eliff, on Cow creek about where the old John ranch is, in January of 1864.

One of the outstanding events of her life as a young lady was a trip she made from Riddle to Roseburg which she traveled on the first railroad train to make this trip after the opening of the railroad to the public and which train was the first she had ever seen.

As Miss Celia Eliff she was married to Al Langenberg in 1885, the wedding place being at the Wolf-Fargo building, later a part of the Glendale hotel and a remaining portion of which is today a part of the Nerbas apartments. After having lived on Cow creek for about 40 years, she moved to Portland with her family, where they resided about 20 years. In the more recent years Mrs. Langenberg has been living in San Francisco where her daughter Opal (Mrs. A. J. Stoeckel) resides, and where Mr. Langenberg died March 3 of this year. His remains were brought to Glendale for interment. A son, Hardy Langenberg, lives at Powers, Ore., where Mrs. Langenberg intends to make an extended stay before returning to her home in San Francisco.

Mrs. Langenberg is keenly alive to the events of the past and is well versed in pioneer lore of Southern Oregon. She also confesses to a weakness for writing, especially poetry. Just to attest to her cleverness along this line she gave you

the following lines which had been suggested to her by a recent trip she made to old familiar scenes on Cow creek:

A ROAD

(By Celia Eliff Langenberg)

Today I traveled a road I knew; A road where the roses of childhood grew;

To a place where my childhood feet have trod, A place where my aires have turned the sod. And I wonder why, and I wonder when I will ever travel that road again.

It was spring. The grass and trees were green. The flowers in bloom were a fairy scene; But my hair was white with the years of strife. And I was only a bit of the winter of life.

And I wonder why, and I wonder when I will ever travel that road again. It took me to a place in life When I was a mother and a wife. My children were dear, my husband true, And the days of those years were very few.

And I wonder why, and I wonder when I will ever travel that road again. And now I stand in the western sun; And I know that the day is nearly done. With the things on the road of life I will meet; And I watch the shadows grow long at my feet.

And I wonder why, and I wonder when I will ever travel that road again.

GLENDALE PERSONALS

GLENDALE, Ore., Aug. 2.—The Union Oil company's paint crew has been here this week dressing up the new distribution plant with paint and lettering signs on the tank and buildings.

Miss Rosemond Wall of Medford is visiting this week at the home of her aunt, Mrs. B. E. Hayes, who resides at Lyall Sliding.

Mrs. Andrew Pete, who resides just a short distance southeast of this city, was taken to the Grants Pass hospital where she underwent a major operation last Saturday. It is reported she is getting along as well as can be expected. Mrs.

Ernest E. Umphlette of Lebanon, accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Mary Umphlette, arrived here Sunday. Mrs. Umphlette expects to remain here for at least a week renewing acquaintances and visiting with former friends. Mr. Umphlette has been employed by the state highway commission for a number of years. The Umphlettes formerly were residents of Glendale for several years and prior to their moving into town they resided on a ranch several miles from this city.

A. J. Raess has been at work this week cutting down and removing the dead trees on the former school grounds. A large number of splendid trees were badly burned and scorched at the time the old schoolhouse burned last summer, and since have died.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Brown of Spokane, Wash., were business callers here last Saturday.

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Sam Basel, who is now employed by the California Oregon power company near Cottage Grove, stopped off here for a visit Saturday while enroute to Medford to visit with his sister, Sammie, who was driving a new Nash roadster.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Parr of Palo Alto, Calif., who have been visiting with friends on Cow Creek, left for their home the fore part of last week. They stopped off at Jumpoff Joe creek to do some prospecting before going on to Palo Alto.

Mrs. Floyd Bryan is visiting at the ranch home of her mother, Mrs. B. E. Hayes, for a few days of this week. Mrs. Bryan has been living at Grants Pass, but expects to move to Marshfield soon. Mr. Bryan is employed by the Southern Pacific railroad as brakeman.

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Margaret Leash and Frank Leash. The four Leash children are former residents of this city. Their father, Wm. B. Leash, still resides here.

Allen Heller is now employed by the Western Union telegraph company and is with the construction crew that is stationed for the present at Central Point. Jarley Pete, another Glendale lad, has been with this same crew for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Miller of Grants Pass visited at the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Meissner, Monday. Meissner, who operates the Glendale garage, contemplates building a new garage building of ample size to care for his increasing business, before long.

Mrs. Wilton Garrett, who had been visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Gillon, at Springfield last week, returned to her home at the Avalon ranch Sunday.

Sig. Ash, local contractor, who is now building a schoolhouse south of Ashland, was successful in getting another job at Medford this week. He was awarded the contract by the city of Medford for some new buildings at the city airport, the contract amounting to about \$12,600.00.

S. C. Kurdy, the Roseburg merchant, was a business caller here Wednesday. Mr. Kurdy is moving the stock of goods that he has had in the old store building on Gilbertson avenue to Roseburg and is discontinuing the local store until such time as he can secure modern store facilities in the main business section of this city, where he plans on reopening a store here, Mrs. T. R. Brown, who has been manager of the local store, expects to go on a two-weeks vacation, after which she will be employed in Kurdy's Roseburg store.

W. W. Copley of Bandon motored here Tuesday and returned Wednesday. He was accompanied here by his mother, Mrs. Wm. Copley, who will remain for a more lengthy visit with her many friends here. Mrs. Copley, together with her family, resided in this city for many years, moving to the city by the sea only a few years ago.

The regular morning Presbyterian church services next Sunday will be held in a grove on Quines creek, just at the turn-off on the Pacific highway. A basket dinner will follow at noon and during the afternoon a service consisting mostly of music will be given.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin G. Henninger left by auto Saturday evening on a vacation trip of about a week's duration. They expect to visit the various coast cities along the Pacific highway from Newport and north.

Threshing in the lower end of Cow creek valley is now under way. The Cunningham brothers, Chas. Pike and Ole J. Johnson, have already had their grain crops threshed out, while Milton A. Wagner and the Sether brothers have grain still to be threshed. Grain this year is of very good quality and the yield is good, being better than had been anticipated earlier in the season.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Sether of

San Francisco, who have been spending their vacation in this locality and at Medford, arrived here from Medford Friday for a brief visit. They were on the way to their home in San Francisco, returning by way of Bandon and the Roosevelt highway along the coast, where Mr. Sether is a professor in St. Ignace college.

Albert Lindow, clerk at the Southern Pacific roadmaster's office here, spent Sunday with his family at Portland. Lindow expects to move his family here soon and will reside in the house being vacated by Frank Clayton.

RICE CREEK NEWS

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RICE CREEK, Ore., Aug. 3.—Mrs. Edna Bradford and son Keith visited and shopped in Roseburg Monday.

Mrs. Ira White was a visitor in Roseburg Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stevenson of Siskiyou, Oregon, spent Sunday at the J. J. Meredith home.

Mr. and Mrs. Caves of Roseburg left Wednesday for an extended trip through Canada. They will visit relatives while there.

Miss Helene Hammond returned to her home Thursday after spending the past few months attending business college at San Bernardino, California, and visiting her uncle.

Wilbur Meredith, who had been visiting in Eugene, returned to his home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Meredith have returned home after spending a few days visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Patrick in Eugene.

Mrs. B. A. Brown and Laurina Brown were in town Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Sibold and daughters Vera and Ruth of Ten-mile visited at the Frank Miller

RIDDLE LOCALS

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RIDDLE, Ore., Aug. 3.—Dr. Randolph of Aumsville was looking after business matters here Friday.

Mrs. Clyde Catching drove down from Roseburg Friday to spend a short time with her father, Moss Ryan, who is ill at his home here.

Mrs. Maggie Cornutt of Monroe and Mr. and Mrs. Morehead of Salem, former residents of this community, visited at the Frank Miller

home.

E. L. Rice has the threshing crew this week. Mr. Rice has an exceptionally large crop this year.

Vera and Ruth Sibold are visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller, this week.

Frank Miller and P. F. Miller are working at Winston this week.

Mrs. Roy T. Rice went to Roseburg Thursday to shop.

Miss Stella Roberts and Miss Laurina Brown attended a picnic with friends at Idlewild park Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Meredith and son and Mrs. J. J. Meredith visited in Lookingglass Tuesday.

W. J. Meredith and family of Lookingglass visited at the J. J. Meredith home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Lawrence and son Danford visited on Rice creek Thursday.

Mrs. Leak Barrett spent Thursday in Roseburg shopping and visiting with friends.

Mrs. Orpha Smith and son Abner Smith went to Roseburg Wednesday.

Claud H. Kreizer, who had been camping on Rice creek the past month, was taken seriously ill Friday morning. He was examined by Dr. Wade and was sent to the Veterans' hospital in Portland.

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KNUDTSON'S Jewelers

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The Skyscraper Murder

by SAMUEL SPEWACK

WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE

Philip Edison is host at a night-club party to his just recently-divorced wife, and Oliver Sewell, sportswoman and Don Juan. Edison presumes that Sewell and the divorcee are to be married. When the party breaks up, Edison goes to Sewell's home and, while he is awaiting his return, is informed that Sewell has been found dead. Inspector Marx began a police investigation. He questioned Sewell's Russian valet. The elevator operator is also questioned. He did not see Sewell return. A young medical examiner, with a taste for detective work, assists Marx. Their search of the apartment reveals complete wardrobes in different colors for women. In a safe-deposit box they find a scrap of paper bearing the inscription, "Paid in Full." The following day a Major Preston, who has been a sporting associate of Sewell's is interrogated. Then Sewell's widow visits the apartment. She intimates that Preston might know something. After the investigators are standing after Mrs. Sewell's departure, looking at a mirror door, it opens, and Mrs. Edison appears. She relates a story which the police do not believe. After she leaves, her lawyer threatens Marx with political reprisals if the woman is molested. Then Edison visits the apartment. As he goes out a shot is heard. The Russian butler is found dead and Edison is arrested. Mary Pennell, whose clothes are found in the apartment, is questioned. She identifies the "Paid in Full" note as in her uncle's, the Major's, handwriting. A diary belonging to the dead butler is found. It relates a story of the famous Shah diamond which came into his hands in Russia while Sewell was there. Sewell sets possession of the diamond and takes it and the Countess Kurasova to America. The butler follows and enters Sewell's employ. He uncovers evidence of Sewell's relations with the Countess. Also the actions of the many visitors Sewell entertained. Marx and the doctor learn that another man occupied the apartment with Sewell. Mary Pennell receives a mysterious note requesting her to meet the writer at Sewell's apartment if she wishes to clear Edison of all suspicion. As Marx leads her to the door, the secret passage opens and Preston appears. He gives a full account of his dealings with Sewell. He also tells of having stayed with Sewell the night of the crime because "the latter's life was threatened."

CHAPTER XXIII.

"Unless he sneaked out after you went to sleep."

"But why should he do that? He'd asked me up here to protect him. Why couldn't he tell me he was going out?"

Marx shrugged his shoulders.

"That's point number one. There are several others. He sneaks out and goes to this joint. At two o'clock he's back here."

"That may account for the noise of some one moving about that disturbed me."

"And a few minutes after two you find him in the chair, dead. You heard no shots."

"No. Heard nothing like a shot. I heard someone moving. But even if a silence had been used, I'd have heard a click. But there was nothing like that."

"Did Sewell say in so many words he was afraid of being murdered?"

"Not only that, but he harped on it. Maybe I haven't made myself clear. But all that evening, which was, up to the point I found him dead, a pleasant evening as far as I was concerned, Sewell acted as if he'd lost everything in the world. He seemed sort of pale. He 'Where was your gun?'"

"Right in my pants pocket. Or jacket, every few minutes. He kept talking about this Russian of course, I didn't pay much attention to him. I was comfortable, and I was wondering sort of lazily what had come over him. I liked to study Sewell. He was always a mystery to me, and I knew him better than most people did."

"By the way," said Marx, "you never actually hated Sewell, did you?"

"No. I sometimes despised him."

"How about Mrs. Sewell?"

"We don't have to go into that, do we?" The Major flushed.

"The only reason I mention it is that you gave me the distinct impression when I talked with you," said Marx, "that his wife had threatened him several times."

"So she did."

"But you knew she wasn't the one who killed him."

"I didn't know that. I had my own worries at the minute, as you can imagine. And while I was fumbling around, I thought of her. I thought she might have done it. I couldn't tell you about the Russian then. I was too scared. I'll tell you—I was crazy about her once. And then she made a fool of me, and I guess I never forgave her for it. I don't know what she told you, but that's the truth. She's a hard woman—a fine wife for Sewell—but I guess they were too smart for each other."

"All right," Marx nodded. "You didn't by any chance find a gun here when you found Sewell?"

The Major hesitated.

"I might as well tell the whole story. Sewell insisted I take a gun with me that night. So I did. I had it in my pocket. Well, after I found the body, and I realized I was in a pretty bad way, I began to think of the gun."

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