

Talent Talk.

Mr. McClerk has moved into town and occupies the Phil. Briner residence.

John Nyswanner, of Rogue River, is visiting in Talent the other day. He reports the roads in bad condition.

Snow continues so deep on the hills it deters much prospecting that otherwise would have been done ere this.

The family of John Garvin is occupying the fine residence of Mr. Cox while Mr. Garvin and son, James, are prospecting for a rich ledge on Wagner Peak.

The owners of the celebrated Patton mine contemplate running a tunnel into the hill to tap their rich ledge at a 500-foot level, which will give labor to several more men.

We were preambulating around Phoenix the other day and were very hospitably entertained by your correspondent, Manafraidofabear, whose latch string always hangs out for his friends.

The marriage of Robert Gray and Mrs. Hargrove was recently celebrated in this locality. Their friends hereabouts, and there are many of them, wish the couple a long and happy life.

William Addison has sold a part of his nice farm to Matthew Stewart, of Washington, who takes possession the first of May. Addison will build on the other part. We will have two good neighbors instead of one.

J. B. Dyer has rented Warren Lyndee's blacksmith shop and has fitted up two forges and still has all the work he can get through with. He is an excellent artisan and is known far and near. His brother, Butler, and son Arthur are assisting him.

A Mr. Sherril, from Washington, is holding a series of meetings. He presents a sect that keeps the Sabbath on Saturday, but still is of different denomination in some ways from the Rev. Mr. Morrison, who has been preaching here all winter.

We came very near having to record a lawsuit, but after the summons and subpoenas were served the defendant came to the justice and compromised by paying the original bill, the justice assuming the coats of suit. The constable is my informant of the above item.

H. Kinney, a former resident, is here visiting his numerous friends. He has traveled from Victoria, B. C., to San Diego and back since leaving here. He is now located at Riddle, the town that has the great nickle mine situated near it. He thinks of visiting the worlds fair soon.

Our road supervisor is out trying to mend our ways, which have been in a terrible condition all winter. Our position is like that of the Arkansas man, when it rains we can't fix our roads, and when it don't rain they are as good as anybody's road. That is the case now. It has not rained for three days, and the wind has dried the mud so hard that it is difficult to do any work.

There was quite an excitement among the sheep herders during

court week. Several were called to town as witnesses before the grand jury, and had to hire substitutes in their places to attend the gentle flocks. There are quite a number of sheep kept on the range east of Talent during the winter, and then are driven to the Siskiyou south of Talent in the summer.

The county Alliance met here last Friday and Saturday, and there was a large attendance from all parts of the county. Your correspondent is an outsider, but judging from the well filled baskets of provisions we saw carried to the hall they must have been enjoying a pretty good time. I expected to see THE MAIL editor on deck, but, owing to a misunderstanding, so I learn, as to the privacy of the session, he failed to appear. The evening session was for everybody—you ought to have been there. Mr. Kaiser, of the Record was present.

I suppose the readers of THE MAIL must have been muchly disappointed last week when, after searching all over your paper, they failed to find the usual "Talent Truths," but my excuse is, I was so busy looking for my garden seeds I had planted a week or two ago. I guess they have grown down the other way. It has been so cold and stormy they don't show up on this side. Although such bad weather, the owners of cattle complain that there is a kind of fly attacking the cattle that almost drives them crazy. It is what is known as the foot fly.

The district clerk, as per order of the directors, has posted notices to hold a school meeting on April 29 to levy a tax to erect more commodious school buildings, which are very much needed. There will be some opposition by some of our wealthiest citizens, which fact is regretted, as public schools should be one of the first objects with patriotic Americans, and a good school will enhance the value of any town or village, but our capitalists say they do not want their real estate to raise in value—It is high enough now when the assessor comes around. But when a stranger from the east comes and wants to purchase a home the price is set at \$100 per acre for land that they grumble to pay taxes on at the rate of \$10 per acre.

Vox.

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W. WORTH.

Sticky Sticklets.

Mr. C. Carney has been on the sick list lately.

Mr. G. C. Roberts contemplates going to California soon.

Oh! what a tangled web we weave,
When first we practice to deceive.

Our gardens look very promising. In the spring our housewives fancies lightly turns to thoughts of greens.

Miss Mattie Morris is on her way home from her visit east. She will be gladly welcomed by her many friends.

Wm. Gregory, Jr., has been induced to become our school clerk. The office sought the man, he is in the right place.

Our school is flourishing under the auspices of our most efficient and accomplished young teacher, Miss Zuda Owens.

Henry Gregory has gone east of the mountains. He intends putting in a crop on his farm in Langell valley, where he intends moving his family in May.

There is more truth than poetry in the word "sticky." Oh! sticky, sticky, loosen thy iron grasp from our heels and wheels and allow us to finish putting in our crops.

Mr. Stotler has purchased a new sprayer, and he knows how and when to use it. Success to you Stotler, we hope you will exterminate every parasite on sticky.

A pleasant social hop occurred at the hospitable home of Mrs. Adams Friday evening. Our beauty and our chivalry were there, and all went merry as a marriage bell.

To our Dry Creek friends who so materially assisted us at the late annual school meeting, we tender the thanks of the entire neighborhood. Should they ever need assistance in the cause of education, we will cordially respond.

Several of the elite among our young people attended the ball at Central Point Saturday evening, April 8. All enjoyed themselves immensely. We were pleased and flattered to observe the most popular young man of the evening was none other than Charley Moore.

One of our young farmers was recently the victim of a severe attack of toothache. Being very busy sowing grain, and being a true spartan, he preferred nursing his tooth through the wee sma' hours of several nights, to taking the time necessary to interview the doctor. All at once the freakish toothache left him, his upper lip swelled to an enormous size, his nose appearing to be in imminent danger of being pushed from his face. He was glad no one happened around in his vicinity for several days. All is well that ends well. Frank is as good looking now as ever, and is not minus a tooth either.

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Making a Good Living.



Doctor (to patient who has come two miles to the doctor's office in order to save the extra cost of a visiting fee)—Good gracious, man, you are not fit to be out of the house! Go home at once, and I will call in a couple of hours and prescribe for you.—Life.

A Matter of Patience.



She—Engaged to two girls at the same time! Well, what are you going to do about it?

He—Oh, I'm all right; but what are they going to do about it?—Life.

A Question of Privilege.



Papa Hicks—Why didn't you stay in Sunday school?

Dick—Couldn't stand the new teacher. She said I looked like you.—Once a Week.

Reward of Merit.



The Deacon—Do you know what happens to boys who tell lies?

Small Youth—Yessir. They gits off most times if they tells good ones.—Life.