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A FEW OF THE SWIFT ONES.

A Mail Reporter Makes a Brief Mention of the Nineteen Horses Now In Training at the Central Point Fair Grounds.

It has been the constant aim of THE MAIL to give to its readers a correct report of all matters of news; a thorough writeup of all new enterprises and an accurate description of all industries pertaining to the upbuilding of Jackson county, and which as a result is of benefit to its people.

Following up this line of work a MAIL representative drove down to Central Point last Saturday and paid a friendly visit to the horsemen now at the race track at the county fair grounds.

As we drove into the grounds at the north entrance of the grounds a pleasing sight met our eyes. To our right were the stables, in front of which were a number of men, most of whom were employed about the grounds; some were leisurely sitting about in the warm sunshine, spinning their favorite yarns, others were at work about the stables, while some were exercising the horses in their charge. Our mission, of course, was to get acquainted with these men and by them be shown the horses under their respective charge. We at once made known our business, and were made welcome, and to say that they were indeed a jolly set of boys, would only be putting it mild. The first two stables to the east we came in were occupied by horses in charge of J. C. Slagle. First of these is the standard bred stallion, "Tokio," owned by J. E. Hill. Tokio is a fine looking horse, is a dark dapple bay, and was sired by Aleyonium; his dam being Dinah Doe. He is four years old, and as he has never been in training he, of course, has no record. A glance at the horse will at once convince one that he is all that is claimed for him.

Next we were shown to the apartments of "Hattie R." This is a fine animal, is 5 years old and is owned by G. B. Lindley, of Medford. She was sired by Alpine, and has every appearance of being—as is claimed—standard bred. Mr. Slagle is very confident in his assertion that, although she has no record, she will develop into a very speedy animal.

"Bill Nye" has quarters in the next stall. This horse is too well known in Jackson and adjoining counties to need much of an introduction by us. He was sired by Sam Stevens; his dam is Kate Myers; by Scamperdown; is seven years old and as a "runner" is not at all slow, having won 15 races out of 17, starts at all distances ranging from one quarter to mile heats. He is owned by W. G. Cleveland, who is also his keeper and trainer. He will be ready to enter the races the coming fall.

"Laura F.," owned by F. T. Fradenburg, of Ashland, is also in charge of Mr. Cleveland. She is a beautiful animal, and, while only 3 years old shows a decidedly swift gait. She was sired by Wormwood Billy, known as Tom Miles' horse, her dam was by Scamperdown. She won a 1/2 mile race at Yreka, also a 1/2 mile race at Central Point last fall and will enter the races the coming fall.

"Siskiyou Maid" is another fine animal in Mr. Cleveland's charge. She is owned by Geo. Barron, of Ashland, and although she has no record, she is claimed to be well bred and will undoubtedly surprise her opponents at the races this fall.

Under the charge of Mr. George Benson we found four fine looking animals, the colts of the famous stallion, Lewis P. First of these is "A P.," sired by Lewis P.; dam, Daisy P. This animal is owned by A. H. Platter, of Althouse, Josephine county, and will enter the races this fall. He is 3 years old, but plainly shows his breeding and will undoubtedly make a record that his owner and trainer may feel proud of.

"Davy Crockett" is another of Lewis P's colts. He is a two-year-old, and is a fine looking animal—well built, and of a kind, gentle disposition. He is owned by C. C. McClendon, of Central Point, and will be ready to enter the races this fall.

Next along the line is "Susie P.," a three-year-old, sired by Lewis

P. She has never been handled until this spring, and is showing all qualities of a thoroughbred, and will be one among the many to compete at the races this fall. She is owned by C. C. McClendon, who is also the owner of Lewis P. "Althouse," sired by Lewis P.; dam Daisy P., completes the number of Lewis P colts under Mr. Benson's charge. This animal is a full brother to A P and is one year younger. He is quite large of his age and breeding, and plainly shows the care of his trainer. He is also owned by Mr. Platter, of Althouse, and is highly praised by him.

"Red Top," sired by Conner, and owned by George Baker, is a three-year-old and which is receiving his initiatory training. This animal has no record, but will—unless all signs fail—be the possessor of a good record after the fall races.

Mr. Oscar Wills, a horseman of ability and experience, has charge of three well known horses and two colts, all of which are in excellent training and show that they are being handled by a man of ability. First of these that was shown to us was "Newsboy," owned by C. W. Kahler, of Jacksonville. Although this animal is 6 years old he has no public record. Newsboy was sired by Oline, dam Aphier. He will enter the races the coming fall.

"Romeo," sired by Marquis; dam, Aphier, is also owned by Mr. Kahler, and like Newsboy has no record. He will compete at the fall races, and unless all signs fail will do some good work.

Mr. Kahler has a nine-months-old colt under Mr. Wills' charge, which is showing some excellent qualities. He is known as "Balo," and was sired by Antaeo, his dam was by Tybott, he by Altamont.

Mr. Wills has in training another colt 10 months old, which is a splendid animal. He goes by the name of "Professor," and is owned by Hon. J. W. Merritt, and was sired by Fresno Prince, record 2:17.

"Jack the Ripper," sired by Roscoe, is also under Mr. Wills' charge. He is owned by Hon. J. W. Merritt and Jas. McDonough, and has a record of 2:30.

Dr. G. W. McDonald has charge of three fine horses, which plainly show the care and training of "Doc" and his able assistant, Dan Ulm.

First of these is "Mistletoe," owned by Geo. Davis, of this city. He was sired by Raymond; dam, May Alexander. Mistletoe is quite well known in this end of the state. He is 8 years old, but has no record. He will be on hand at the fall races.

"Gypsy," sired by Electro, dam Fanny, is a fine young filly, owned by W. D. Beidleman, of Medford. She is 3 years old and plainly shows the Electro gait and breeding. In all probability she will enter the fall races.

Oakland, owned by Capt. J. T. C. Nash, is another fine animal in Mr. McDonald's keeping. Oakland was by Adriandae; dam, Yewett, half sister of the mother of Bonner, 2:16; and although only broke about eight months Oakland now shows better than a 2:50 gait.

Mr. McDonald also has in training a Guy Davis colt, which is showing remarkable activity and will, without doubt, make a fast horse.

Antioch Gatherings.

E. C. Pomeroy was doing business in the Hub Saturday.

Miss Hattie Bliss made a visit to her parents, in Medford, last Saturday.

There will soon be a large barn in course of construction on the Chas. Nickell place.

Horace Pelton was up from Sams Valley a few days ago looking after stock interests.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Martin were in Jacksonville last week visiting the lady's aunt, Mrs. Thompson.

Elmer Dowell went to Medford on his bicycle Wednesday of last week, returning the next day.

Antioch school closed its first month last 2nd day, with an average attendance of twenty-six scholars.

Our Sunday school is not advancing as well as could be expected. It is hoped there will be a better attendance hereafter.

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The Half Million club and its guests have returned to San Francisco after making a tour of the state. The excursionists were cordially received everywhere and royally entertained. Everyone connected with the club says the trip was of inestimable value to all and the state will be greatly benefited when everybody is working in harmony to build up the resources of California.

President Spreckels of the San Joaquin Valley railroad visited Visalia recently and after driving about the country expressed the opinion that some of these days the San Joaquin valley will produce enough sugar to supply the United States. When the people do that it will mean the saving of \$80,000,000 to this country, or rather the keeping of that much money at home that is now spent for imported sugar.

First Assistant Secretary Simms of the interior department has returned to Washington from Florida, where he owns an orange grove. He says that the first cold snap of the past winter, which came in December, destroyed 2,500,000 boxes of unpacked fruit. In spite of the great damage done the storm was a blessing in disguise, as it checked the growth of the trees and kept them from being in blossom when the second cold snap came. Hundreds of trees escaped that would have been killed had it not been for the first cold wave. Mr. Simms said: "It has been truly stated that if every house in Florida had been burned the loss would have been less than resulted from the destruction of orange trees. The people are full of pluck, however, and have great confidence in the future."

Intense excitement prevails at Glasgow, Mont., over the receipt of a letter from John Gendeburg, a citizen of the United States and a former resident of the Montana town. Last October he went to visit his parents in Russia. Immediately after crossing the border from Germany into Russia he was arrested and thrown into prison. All outside communication was cut off and he has been lying in jail nearly destitute of clothing since that time. The authorities have refused him any trial. His letter recites a tale of hardship and privation. The citizens have advised Senators Mantle and Carter and Representative Hartman of Montana of the matter. Gendeburg was a contractor and held in high esteem. He is by birth a Russian, but took out his naturalization papers some years ago.

Albert Young, aged 68, grand patriarch of the American Gypsies, died at East St. Louis, Ill., the other night and his body was shipped to Saratoga, N. Y., for burial. Young had been stopping with a band of gypsies in northern St. Clair county for the last month and became sick a week ago. The night after his death his followers built a large pile of brushwood and boards, and placing all his worldly possessions, including a \$1,300 wagon, \$300 worth of harness, cooking utensils, clothing, silverware, etc., upon it, set fire to the pyre while Young's body lay in state a few feet off. The gypsies, joining hands, sang songs and prayed about the fire for two hours, when the undertaker was called to prepare the body for shipment. Young was a cousin to Mrs. Young, the late gypsy queen, who died two years ago, and her remains were taken to Paterson, N. J., for burial.

Lora Sholto Douglas, son of the Marquis of Queensberry and brother of Lord Alfred Douglas who is now figuring in the Oscar Wilde scandal, was arrested at Bakersfield, Cal., on a complaint charging him with insanity. Lord Sholto took out a marriage license to wed Loretta Addis, a young Bakersfield maiden, and his friends took this action to prevent the marriage. Lord Sholto was released from custody when the facts were brought out.

Near Tower, in Baldwin county, Ala., "Railroad Bill," the negro desperado and train robber, accompanied by several of his pals, ran upon a camp of white moonshiners engaged in making whisky. The outlaws thought they were officers and commenced firing on the moonshiners. The latter concluded the robbers were a revenue band and a fusillade began. "Railroad Bill" was shot six times and several of the moonshiners were wounded. Some are reported as being fatally hurt, but the survivors on each side have borne the injured away and the result is not known.

An attempt was made a few nights ago to lynch Charles Williams and Moses Williams at Weaverville, Cal. The former is serving a life sentence in Folsom prison and was brought back to testify in the Hart murder case. The latter was acquitted of the murder of Hart. Charles Williams confessed to the crime and implicated Moses Williams in the murder at his preliminary examination and pleaded guilty at his trial before the superior court. When put on the witness stand to testify against Moses Williams he refused to say a word about the case, and instructions were given the jury to acquit the defendant, Moses Williams. The people became incensed and a mob was organized. Two ropes were taken from a neighboring butcher shop and the mob went to the jail, but when they entered and made their way to the cell where the Williamses had been confined they found them gone. After a vain search the mob dispersed. The jail officers had taken the men away.

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