

**OUR COUNTY . . .**  
**Correspondents**

**Eagle Point Eaglets.**  
BY A. C. HOWLETT.  
M. S. Wood's family are at the McAlister soda springs this week.  
Miss Mattie Taylor is visiting with Miss Lottie Brown, of Central Point.

Mrs. Wm. Homes, of Central Point, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Brown.

Mrs. C. W. Taylor and Miss Cora Brown paid friends a visit in Central Point the fore part of the week.

Harvesting is in full blast, but crops have been considerably damaged by the grasshoppers. In some places they are destroying the fruit trees.

Miss Mamie Woods returned from Sisson Tuesday of last week, where she has been for several weeks past with her cousin Miss Etta Griffith.

Last Tuesday Ben Abbebose returned from his trip to Shasta county, Calif., where he went to look for a location. He may go there this fall as he is favorably impressed with the surroundings.

Last week Wig and Ray Ashpole, Willie and Merit Brown started for Dead Indian Springs, and this week Frank Brown and his sister and a number of other ladies expect to start for this popular summer resort.

The Lewis brothers, Robert and Walker and Lee Parsons, started the first of last week on a hunt and were gone four days—an old hunter near Flounce rock killed a deer and divided with them, so they got some meat.

Last Sunday Rev. Ennis preached two very interesting sermons for us, and at the close of the morning service he administered the eucharist. After the Sunday morning services Rev. Ennis, Mrs. C. W. Taylor and son Carl, Miss Bessie Brown, Miss Lottie Taylor and a crowd of five from Medford, consisting of Miss Myrtle Woodford, a representative of THE MAIL, Miss Mamie Nicholson, our daughter, Millie, and Mr. Smith, of the Palace candy store, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Lewis and two children and a friend of ours from over in the valley, repaired to our house, where Mrs. H. had previously prepared dinner, and spent the afternoon as pleasantly as one could wish.

The party from Medford had brought an ice cream freezer and ice with them and we had ice cream and cake. Mrs. Taylor and Miss Myrtle Woodford furnished some excellent vocal music.

I have quite a list of accidents to chronicle this week, a young man by the name of Winkle, aged about sixteen years, got his hand badly shot. He and Mr. Brown started for a hunt and in placing a gun in the wagon he put his hand over the muzzle and about that time the team started and in the movement the trigger caught something and the gun was discharged, the entire charge passing through his hand, tearing away all the flesh, but no bones broken. Dr. Officer was called and dressed the wound, and at last accounts he was doing well.

**ACCIDENT No. 2.**—While Joseph Rader was raising a grapple hay fork the spring gave way and he attempted to re-adjust the fork and by some means stuck the needle of the fork through his foot, the needle penetrated his shoe sole.

**ACCIDENT No. 3.**—Report comes that Mrs. Samuel Ringle was burned out and lost almost all of her household goods.

**ACCIDENT No. 4.**—While Dr. Stanfield was riding up Butte creek to see a patient recently in his neighborhood he met with quite a serious accident. His dog was running after a rabbit and in his hurry and flurry ran against the horses hind legs, and as quick as a flash the horse commenced to kick, knocking off the dashboard, throwing the doctor out on his head and shoulders, bruising him up quite badly, breaking the buckboard and smashing things up generally.

**Brownsboro Items.**  
BY REBECCA.  
Mr. Ferguson, of Big Butte, was doing business in town Tuesday.

Joe Davis accompanied by Mrs. T. Davis, Misses Farlow and Hutchins, of Lake creek, called in town Tuesday.

Miss Lulu Miller and Mr. Wm. Stockam, of this place, were married, in Medford, on the eighth. The best wishes of their friends are extended.

Isaac Merriman and family accompanied by friends made a call in town Tuesday. They are on a trip to the McAlister soda springs. The water of these springs is quite noted for medical purposes bringing health and strength to the weary invalids. It is also surrounded by rugged and beautiful moun-

tain scenery and with its other natural facilities makes it a favorite resort also for pleasure seekers.

The Fourth of July was duly celebrated in Brownsboro to the fullest extent that the weather would permit. In the programme the piece "Our Country's Flag," rendered by the seven little girls, Misses Donna, Mabel and Bessie Bell, Pearl Casto, Nora, Edna and Hazel Charley, followed by the song "Red, White and Blue" was especially commended. Dr. Stanfield, of Eagle Point, delivered the oration in his unique and entertaining manner. The successful knight in the tournament was Mr. Hoyt, of Big Butte, while others did good riding. The evening races and ball at night also claim their just merits as contributing to the pleasant entertainments.

**Derby Items.**  
BY WILL.  
Ben Higinbotham is working at the McKee mill.

D. Goodlow has gone to Crescent City for the summer.

Miss Ora Edmunson visited Mrs. Wilkinson a few days last week.

Miss Simons and Mrs. Peter Simons were in Medford Saturday last.

Mr. W. Mitchell, of Eagle Point, spent Sunday at Mr. Wilkinson's place.

Mr. and Mrs. Taggart and Jack Goodlow have returned from a trip to Jacksonville and Medford.

Johnny Higinbotham, and his cousins Elmore and Bertie Nichols have gone east of the mountains.

Misses Hattie Eaton and Ella Benson visited friends at Gold Hill and Sams Valley a few days since.

George Hoyt who has been working in the valley, attended the dance on Sticky and returned home the next day.

The dance at Mrs. Adams' on Sticky was every way a success. A large crowd was present, and all report a very enjoyable time.

Miss Lottie Birch has returned to her school from the institute. Miss Armetta, who has been attending school, is at home at present.

Ralph Newman and family are spending a few weeks at their farm. After taking care of their hay crop he will move his family to Eagle Point.

Dan'l Fray's little boy is the proud owner of a little fawn. It was caught by the dogs, and as it was unharmed it was given to the boy who will raise it for a pet.

Mrs. Riddle has been circulating a subscription paper for the purpose of securing medical aid for Mrs. Sullivan, who is quite an old lady and is quite ill. The paper was liberally signed.

Lex and Asel Hubbard, of Medford, came up to Durbly the first of the week, the former on business and the latter to accompany Mrs. Fort. Hubbard to her home in Medford. Mrs. Hubbard had been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. McKee.

**Lake Creek Creeklets.**  
BY ZIP.  
Fred Downing is wrestling with a severe attack of ague.

Miss Clara Daily and Frank Marlon visited the soda springs a few days ago.

Mr. Rector is engaged in hewing timbers for the construction of a commodious barn on his farm.

We are sorry to chronicle the death of the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pool Gear, of Brownsboro, caused by whooping cough.

Three or four wagon loads of valley people passed a few days ago on the way to that noted health resort, the McAlister springs.

Mrs. Klinge, of Lake Creek, had the misfortune a few days ago to lose her fine residence by fire, with all the contents. We tender our deepest sympathy to the unfortunate lady.

Several of the young men who went east of the mountains for the purpose of working through hay harvest have returned home. They state there are forty men to one job,

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The great Eldriana of the north fork is like unto Babylon of old, lying desolate, without an inhabitant. Whether it will ever be rebuilt, or left a habitation for bats and owls and the wild beasts of the mountains, we are not able to say.

The weather is extremely hot at present and the general growl has changed from "cold weather" to "hot weather." It is certainly hot enough to give a man a hearty inclination to shun the hot climate so vividly portrayed by the clergymen in the pulpit.

**Kanes Creek Items.**  
BY SINE DIE.  
Geo. Hammersly and family have returned from McAlister soda springs.

Mike Foley, who has been in California for the past two months, is expected home soon.

Mrs. Swinden and Mrs. Knotts spent last Sunday on the creek visiting friends and relatives.

A party composed of B. A. and P. A. Knotts and their families left Tuesday for McAlister springs.

David Birdsey, of Bolt, was in our neighborhood one day last week calling on relatives and friends.

We are glad to say that Mrs. Stover is able to be about again, having banished the rheumatism.

John Hammersly, who has been in California for the past year, is home on a visit, but intends returning soon.

Miss Annie Knotts and Mrs. Perry Knotts spent last Thursday at Woodville, the guest of Mrs. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hammersly, of this place, have moved to the Fisher mine, where they will remain three or four months.

**Table Rock Items.**  
Otis Fierson took a flying trip to Ashland on the 6th.

Fred Hansen went to Ashland Saturday to attend the Chautauqua.

Misses Rose and Lillie McClendon were at Table Rock recently visiting with friends.

Several parties have been down on Rogue river berrying—berries fine and plentiful.

L. A. Simons was shaking hands with his Table Rock friends the first part of last week.

The latter part of the previous week Mr. and Mrs. Pendleton and Mrs. Drum visited Medford, Jacksonville and Central Point.

We learned that some party while fishing near Bybee's bridge, Friday, had the misfortune to lose a horse—the animal having died.

Your correspondent with his wife spent several days of last week in Ashland, enjoying the hospitality of Hotel Oregon, the beautiful scenery of that mountain town and the fine lectures given at Chautauqua hall, the one by Dr. F. W. Gunsaulus being especially appreciated.

**Jacksonville News.**  
Miss Jo. Nunan is visiting Ashland relatives and friends.

Mrs. N. A. Jacobs and son are at Medford for a visit with relatives.

Gen. T. G. Reames and son Will have returned from a business visit to Klamath Falls.

Miss Carry Kent has returned from a week's visit with her aunt, Mrs. Fred Furry, of Eden.

Married—At the court house, July 10th, by Hon. H. K. Hanna, H. G. Willoughby and Miss Mabel Wolfe, all of San Francisco.

Arthur Holt, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Geo. Hines, for several weeks past, has returned to his home in the Willamette valley.

P. W. Dehuff and family, who have been visiting H. E. Ankeny and family at Sterling, left for their home at The Dalles during the week.

Judge Day and wife, Mrs. E. Kenney, Judge P. P. Prim and wife, went to Ashland Tuesday to hear the noted N. A. Ambrose lecture.

Attorney A. N. Soliss and Bookkeeper Devlin, two of our intellectual young men, attended the Chautauqua at Ashland Saturday and Sunday.

T. J. Kinney and wife and Henry White, of Rock Point, went to Ashland to pay their tribute of respect to their departed friend the late Oscar Ganiard.

Beekman & Huffer's quartz mill and engine were taken to their mine on Jackson creek Thursday and will be grinding out the precious metal in a very short time.

The finest peaches that have found their way to the market this season were those brought from the large fruit farm of R. J. Cameron, over on Rogue river, Tuesday.

The Ashland mine was sold at sheriff's sale last Saturday. It was bid in by Kinney & Provost, hard-

ware dealers of Ashland, for \$21,523.55. The work will be resumed forthwith.

County Clerk Jacobs is taking a vacation and attending the meeting of the Grand Lodge of Workmen, he having been sent as a delegate from the Medford lodge. He will visit several important cities during his absence.

Zack Cameron has returned from a six weeks' stay at the Simmons & Cameron mines at Waldo. The annual clean-up was made and the owners are much pleased with the outcome. This is one of the best mines in Oregon.

Wm. M. Colvig, Adam Schmidt and W. J. Plymale are attending the A. O. U. W. Grand Lodge at Portland this week. Miss Birdie Schmidt accompanied her father and will visit friends at the metropolis for several weeks.

Mrs. Reuter and two daughters, accompanied by Mrs. O. Keegan, left Sunday for Smith's soda springs above Ashland for an outing. This is considered one of the best summer resorts in the county, being but a short distance from Steinman.

The many friends of James Linn will be pleased to learn that the injuries received on Monday while trying to uncouple the engine and coach of the Medford-Jacksonville Shortline, are not as serious as at first reported. He is getting along remarkably well.

T. A. Collins, the young man who had his toes run over by the R. R. V. R. R. wheels July 4th, and suffered the loss of these members, received assistance from San Francisco relatives last week, and on Sunday his attending physician, Dr. DeBar took him to Medford to meet the south bound train and he went on his way rejoicing.

At a special meeting of Jacksonville Lodge No. 10, I. O. O. F., the 11th inst. W. F. Shawver, D. D. G. M., installed the following officers: J. A. Wilson, N. G.; J. W. Dyer, V. G.; A. N. Soliss, Rec. Sec.; K. Kubli, Treas.; John Arnold, R. S. N. G.; Jas. Cronmiller, L. S. N. G.; C. Ulrich, R. S. V. G.; F. E. Bybee, L. S. V. G.; Fred Luy, W.; N. A. Jacobs, C.; G. N. Lewis, I. G. An oyster supper was served at the Taylor house after the installation.

**Gold Hill Items.**  
From the Miner.  
J. J. Ullman's residence is now completed, and the improvement is a very decided one.

Mr. S. V. McFarren, our popular watchmaker, is building one of the neatest residences in Gold Hill.

D. S. Youngs, of Medford, was in attendance at Gold Hill Lodge No. 129, I. O. O. F. The lodge is in a very prosperous condition.

C. C. McClendon, of Sams Valley, will send his promising two-year-old, Davy Crockett, to Salem this week, in charge of his trainer, H. L. Benson. Davy Crockett is of the Louis P. stock, and is developing some fine qualities.

**CRIMES AND CASUALTIES.**  
**Victims Acts of Lawbreakers and Losses by Fire and Accidents.**

Lazarus Castro, a Mexican miner, was blown to pieces in a mine at Angels, Cal. He disobeyed the rules in firing a blast and could not get away in time.

C. O. Baker, a banker of East Peru, Ia., has disappeared with \$10,000 of the bank's funds. He has been missing since July 5. The bank is in the hands of a receiver.

The non-arrival at Port Townsend of the United States revenue launch Black Pup from Roche Harbor occasions a general belief that the vessel has been swamped in the straits of Fuca.

On the Chicago and Western Michigan road the little towns of Wainin and Clary, the former consisting of 20 houses, have been entirely wiped out by forest fires. No lives were lost.

Daniel Ackerman, a resident of Smith Mills, N. J., stabbed his trunk wife and then himself with a pocket knife. Mrs. Ackerman died in a short time and her husband is not expected to live.

The charges of malfeasance in office brought against Mayor Starkweather of West Superior, Wis., are strongly corroborated by the testimony of the police of that city and notorious women.

Douglas J. Roberts, a prominent horseman of Los Gatos, Cal., was thrown from his horse and his foot caught in the stirrup and he was severely injured. His leg was broken in two places.

A carpenter named Clay McDonald of The Dalles, Or., went crazy by liquor and rushed into a saloon with a cocked revolver. He fired five shots, two of which took effect, and as a consequence Jim Hagen and F. Brandon are under medical treatment.

Sabino Bee, a Mexican 17 years old, died at Albuquerque, N. M., of wounds received in falling from a freight train and getting crushed under the wheels while stealing a ride. Two companions tried to convey the wounded youth to the station, but they failed, and he bled to death after many hours of suffering.

Mary H. Kettneridge has been sentenced to be hanged at Fort Smith by United States Judge Parker at Chicago for the murder of her husband, Andrew J. Kettneridge, and attorneys have entered suit in her name for the recovery of a life insurance policy of \$15,000 on her husband's life and made payable to her.

The bodies of Alice and Nellie Prielzel were found buried under the cellar of a house at Toronto, Ont. They are the children believed to have been suffocated by gas by H. H. Holmes, the man

who is accused of having killed their father in Philadelphia. A third child, a boy aged 8, is thought to have been murdered similarly in another city by Holmes, the desire being to rid himself of three beings who might rise to convict him of the other crime.

A young man named Gray from San Francisco and Herbert Delong from Denver have been arrested at Sacramento for securing money under false pretenses. Both were well-dressed and good talkers. They had some tickets printed giving a mythical club would claim a picnic in one of the groves. Then they visited various business houses selling the tickets. In this manner they secured quite a sum of money. A quarrel over the division of the spoils led to their arrest.

The grand jury at Washington has returned a true bill against Benjamin Harrison Milliken, private secretary of Senator Harris of Tennessee, for feloniously entering the house of Hon. Samuel Phillips of North Carolina, ex-solicitor general of the United States. Milliken was captured on the roof of Phillips' house and locked up on the charge of house-breaking, but was subsequently released. A handkerchief and a broken vial, supposed to have contained chloroform, but labeled "camphor," were found on the grass below the bedroom window. Milliken's explanation is said to be that the whole affair was a mistake growing out of too much Fourth of July.

It is reported that Mrs. P. T. Barnum is about to marry.

The Pacific National and the Citizens National banks of Tacoma are to be consolidated.

The internal revenue department is rapidly refunding the money paid in under the income tax law.

"I will be paint me the way I want  
As being as a girl,  
Or will be paint me an ugly tyke,  
And be d—d to Mr. Nerli!"  
But still and on which ever it is,  
He is a canty Kerlie,  
The Lord protect the back and neck  
Of honest Mr. Nerli."

This, one of the last verses ever written by Robert Louis Stevenson, is in reference to the portrait of himself, which is given to the public with his verse for the first time in the July Cosmopolitan. The lines might have come from the pen of Burns, and are imitable in their way. The portrait was declared by Stevenson himself to be the best ever painted of him. In this same number of the Cosmopolitan Rudyard Kipling tells an Indian story, to which Remington adds charming illustrations; Mrs. Burton Harrison makes a serious study of Welsh retreats. The Cosmopolitan was with this number reduced to ten cents per copy, and as a consequence, notwithstanding its large edition, it was "out of print" on the third day of publication.

A Madagascap correspondent tells of 400 pineapples being brought and delivered for a school picnic there for \$1.

An Ellinwood, Kan., man offered the editor of the Advocate a quarter to "roast" his wife for running away with a hack driver.

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