

OUR COUNTY . . . Correspondents

Eagle Point Eagles.

BY A. C. HOWLETT.
Geo. Morine went Friday to visit friends near Brownsboro.

Miss Alice Watkins is stopping with Mrs. J. E. Stickle at present. Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher, of Medford, are sojourning at the Pioneer hotel.

Miss Mattie Taylor returned from Central Point the first of last week.

Boyd Tucker went to Ashland Thursday of last week to remain indefinitely.

Volney Stickle and wife have gone to keep house for the Ish brothers on Rogue river.

Miss Sophia Simon and Mrs. Fletcher made a flying trip to Jacksonville Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Peter Simon and her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Daley, were doing business in Medford Wednesday.

F. W. Mitchell and Miss Mamie Wood went to the McAlister soda springs Friday, Mr. M. returning Saturday.

Rev. L. L. Groves and your correspondent and wife, were in Jacksonville on Thursday of last week attending to business.

Miss Cora Brown and her sister, Lottie, returned from Ashland Friday of last week, where they have been attending the Chautauqua. They report having had a very pleasant time.

John Baker and wife stopped with us on their way to Eastern Oregon Saturday noon. They have been living on Big Butte. Mr. Baker informs us that several of the settlers of Big Butte have moved to Klamath and Lake counties.

A. McNeil, one of the oldest settlers of the valley, was taken Sunday with an attack of something like apoplexy, he was in the cow yard alone, but his niece happened to see him and gave the alarm. At last accounts he was resting easy.

About two weeks ago there was a heavy hail storm in the Big Butte country, and I am informed that it literally pounded the grass and grain into the ground so that the stock will have to be drove out to find pasture. The storm completely destroyed the Artie Nichols crop.

Wig Ashpole, Merrit Brown and the company that went with them to the Dead Indian soda springs returned Friday. They report that there were about 75 persons camped there at the time they left and they met quite a number on the way. Among the campers is Col. R. H. Murray, one of the old pioneers of the country. He expects to remain about six weeks.

Asbestos Items.

BY RUBE.

J. B. Welch is running his mill on full time now.

Mr. H. Mitchell and little girls are in the valley.

County Commissioner Bradshaw was visiting Mr. L. Bolles this week.

Mr. McAndrews was in this vicinity a few days ago looking for a stock ranch.

Frank Parker, of Gold Hill, is moving on his ranch, recently bought of John Dodson.

Mr. Taylor Bailey is in the Meadows helping his brother during haying. He has left his garden in care of Geo. Chapman.

Blackberries are beginning to ripen, but reports are that they are not so plentiful as in previous years.

Dan and Clarence Reynolds, in company with Frank and Schuyler, Hammond have gone east of the mountains to get work haying.

Mrs. H. Griner is visiting Mrs. Chas. Pomeroy, of Beagle, and before returning home will make a trip to Medford to do some trading with Medford merchants.

Prospect Items.

BY MINERVA.

Haying has commenced with an unusually good crop all around.

Mr. Wall, of the Sandwich Islands, arrived last week and is now at his ranch, near Prospect.

Bald mountain is getting to be quite a hunting ground. Several hunters have met with good success. It is an ideal picnic ground, with its acres upon acres of level land devoid of timber or brush, watered with the clearest and coldest of streams; carpeted with abundant green grass, while the magnificent scenery can be seen miles and miles in all directions—from the Rogue river valley with its fields of ripening grain nestling at the foot of the dim blue mountains to where old Mt. Pitt rears its bold graceful head and the Crater lake mountains rise some fifty miles to the east, the intervening hills clothed in eternal green, giving occasional

glimpses of green prairies and farms. To the north and west are endless chains of mountains, some so distant that their outlines are just discernible from the horizon. It is grand and awe-inspiring standing on the brink of precipices whose perpendicular faces rise from two hundred to three hundred feet in height with clear streams of water flowing at the base, and the tops of tall trees peeping out from the midst of the luxuriant foliage, to look out upon the beautiful scenes and wonder at the Being that created all this and the beauty of Nature's handiwork. And Bald mountain with all its wild loveliness is useful, not only for the pleasure that it affords, but it can easily be transformed into the most ideal dairy ranch that one could wish for, as it has all of the essentials close at hand.

Big Butte Nuggets.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Simons were the guests of Mrs. Obenchain and family last Sunday.

W. W. French, of Rogue river, was shaking hands with his many friends, on Rogue river, last Thursday.

Mrs. May Dunlap, formerly of this place, is spending the summer with Miss C. Wooley, near Eagle Point.

Mrs. A. J. Stanley and her sister, Maggie Wright, were the guests of Misses Enetta and Adella Perry Friday last.

Fred Edsall, of Phoenix, was one of our surprising callers this week. He reports that Tom Edsall was doing quite nicely.

Mrs. S. M. Perry accompanied by her daughter, Lottie, has gone to the valley to spend several weeks, putting up fruit.

Misses Viola Simpson and Arvilla Stanley were visiting friends and relatives in this neighborhood last week. While down they attended the funeral of little Margie Stanley.

It is with a feeling of deep regret, that we chronicle the death of Margie E. Stanley which occurred on July 11, 1895. Little Margie departed this life at her grand parents' home, on Big Butte Ore. Deceased was eight weeks of age, and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Stanley, of this place.

A precious one from us has gone.
A voice we loved is stilled;
A place is vacant in our home
That can never more be filled.

Woodville News.

John Griffin paid Grants Pass a visit Friday last.

The Stanley mine is in full blast, and shipping ore goes right along.

Mr. Savage's threshing machine intends to start out in about a week.

Chas. White has bought Mr. Shoemaker's interest in the Eclipse mine.

Miss Etta Savage is visiting with her sister, Mrs. J. B. Borrough, of Wilderville.

Master Chris Kinney, of Jacksonville, is visiting with his friends, Mr. Corliiss and Harry White.

Marion Lance and Miss Minnie Mathews, of Woodville, attended the circus at Ashland on the 18th.

Bicycles are coming in use near Woodville. Sometimes a young lady tries her hand at conquering one.

Rufe Phelps will take charge of the Woodville house in a short time, and there will be two hotels in Woodville.

John White and Billy Breeding are wing-damming Rogue river near Woodville, and will soon be taking out the yellow metal.

Oli Bull has bought Gid Wilcox's house and lot in Woodville and moved his family down from the Hammersly mine.

Miss Carrie Mathews, who is stopping at present with Mrs. Lance, on Foothills creek, was down Sunday to pay her folks a visit.

George Wright and Will Haymond, accompanied by their lady friends, spent Sunday at Bybee's springs on Evans creek.

The postoffice at Woodville has changed hands, and is at present located at Jones' store. Jones is acting as postmaster now.

Mrs. Nettie Griffin has been stop-

ping the past week with her husband at their mine, near Woodville, enjoying good water and pure air.

Miss Clara Colvig, of Jacksonville, is visiting her aunt at Woodville, Mrs. W. V. Jones, and her grandma, at Bolt, Mrs. D. F. Birdsey.

Will Haymond contemplates a trip to the mountains in the near future. Will nearly always starts for Crater lake when he goes camping.

Mr. Jones and wife spent a few days at their mine at Jump-off Joe last week, and took the little folks along. They came back well pleased with their trip.

Fannie Dunlap and Ed. Bagby have returned from their trip to the Willamette valley. They were unfortunate in being on the train that was robbed, but their loss was trivial.

Fish are plentiful in Rogue river now, but John Griffin says that the next time a lady gets her hook fast in ten feet of water she can wade out and get it herself, as he is not a lady's man any more.

Gid Wilcox, who is at present running Mrs. Phelps' hotel at Woodville, is putting up a fine hotel of his own, and will be ready for business in a month or so. Gid knows how to keep hotel, and don't you doubt it.

Table Rock Items.

Lee Vincent is now heading grain for neighbors on this side.

I. C. Pendleton has been confined to his room for a week but is on the mend.

Miss Dothea Pickens, of Central Point, has been visiting Table Rock friends for a week.

Mr. E. P. Pickens has his grain all harvested; he is the first to get through on this side.

Mr. Groves and family have moved from Mr. Hansen's Table Rock farm to Central Point.

Wm. Dickinson and Otis Frieron both have new binders, and are pushing their harvesting along nicely.

Taking care of the second crop of alfalfa is to be the order with some of our neighbors for some time to come.

Fred Hansen had quite a severe attack of gastric fever last week. He is around again and feeling as well as one could after such an experience.

The extreme hot weather has passed over and 'tis a great relief to our busy farmers. Our crops are pretty good and good weather makes harvesting a pleasure.

Joe VanHardenberg has been working with his binder early and late in this neighborhood last week. He finished Saturday by cutting some rye for Mr. Nealon.

Prof. L. A. Simons made a visit to Sams Valley last Wednesday. We understand he has been engaged to teach the Moonville school for the fall term. School to begin September 1st.

J. C. P.

Griffin Creek Gatherings.

BY OCCASIONAL.

Work was commenced on Mr. True's new residence this week.

M. L. Hartley paid friends near Medford, a visit Sunday evening.

Rev. M. A. Williams will hold services here next Sunday at 11 a. m.

Mr. Andrews and family spent a few days last week visiting relatives at Ashland.

Mr. Poly and family were down from Ashland Sunday visiting relatives and friends.

Miss Eva Randels, of Slate creek, was visiting Mrs. H. L. Griffin here a few days last week.

Miss Rose Chapman, of Eden precinct, spent Sunday visiting friends on Crooked creek.

Mrs. Guch and daughter, Laura, paid a visit to Mrs. Priddy, in Medford, Saturday and Sunday.

We are sorry to learn that J. W. Lawton's family have returned to Medford on account of illness.

Mrs. McPherson and Mrs. C. W. Fraley spent Tuesday of last week visiting Mrs. Gray up Griffin creek.

Mrs. G. Gallaher and Bennet, of Phoenix, were visiting Mrs. Bennet's parents here the first part of the week.

A. R. McPherson, after spending two weeks visiting his parents here, returned to Petaluma, California Wednesday morning.

J. Hartly and sons spent two days last week fishing on Applegate and succeeded in catching about one hundred fish for their pond.

The heading season here is mostly over and the threshers are under full headway. The Bashford-Ford machine started in work Monday morning.

The coyotes have been very destructive among the pigs, chickens, etc. along the foot hills here of late, and even extending their raids

down in the valley. The boys are talking of getting up a coyote drive, and try to exterminate a few of them.

Central Point Items.

Chas. Pomeroy, of Beagle, spent a day here last week.

Joseph Mann went to Bonanza on business last week.

Lincoln Savage, of Woodville, spent Saturday in our city.

Mr. Pendleton and wife, of Sams valley, were here on Tuesday.

Charles Oatman, of Tolo, made our city a business trip on Tuesday.

Born—To Mr. Mrs. Peter O. Applegate, July 20th, a daughter.

Hon. S. M. Nealon, of Sams valley, spent Saturday in our city.

Miss Effie Hezelgrave took Sunday evening's train for Grants Pass.

Miss Hopwood has been very ill the past few days, we are sorry to say.

Mrs. Maggie Williams has opened a dressmaking business at Gold Hill.

Noah Bear and family are spending the hot days at Dead Indian spring.

Rev. G. W. Kennedy and family returned from a week's visit with friends at Ashland.

J. C. Hall and Glen Owen have returned home from an extended visit in Coos county.

J. H. Whiteman, of Woodville, spent a few days here with his son A. A. Whiteman this week.

Prof. L. L. Freeman and family and Mrs. M. Ercanbrack are spending a few weeks at Coletuin.

Mr. T. A. Newman, of Eagle Point, is supplying this market with a fine quality of apples.

Mrs. Lucinda Chrisman, of Drain, is paying her sister, Mrs. P. O. Applegate, of this city, a visit.

Mrs. Wm. Holmes is spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Brown, of Eagle Point.

Harry Harvey, John Mann and Joseph Boswell are now employed in the hay fields of Llamath county.

Mrs. J. W. Merritt, took Friday evening's train for Portland, where she goes to make a visit with relatives.

Miss Mary A. Mee returned home from an extended visit with her mother, Mrs. Thomas Mee, of Grants Pass.

Mrs. David Pennegar and daughter, Miss Hattie, are spending the summer at Woodlawn, California, for the benefit of the latter's health.

Jacksonville News.

F. O. Hurd, of the Boggs mine, at Elliot creek, was here several days this week.

Bessie and Marie Nickell are visiting their aunt, Mrs. O. A. Ekelsan, at Portland.

Dr. Wm. Jackson, of Grants Pass, made Jacksonville a business visit during the week.

George D. Linn, a prominent druggist of Eugene, is visiting relatives in Jacksonville.

J. C. McCully came over from Cinnabar after supplies for his camp, but did not tarry long.

Miss Belle Jones, who resides with her aunt in Chicago, is paying her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Jones a two months' visit.

Wm. Colvig, Adam Schmidt and his daughter have returned from their trip to the A. O. U. W. Grand Lodge at Portland. They spent a very pleasant visit.

The postoffice, at Herling, with Henry Bantzen as P. M. has been discontinued and the mail for Watkins and other points will be taken direct from Jacksonville hereafter.

Mrs. Catherine Miller and three daughters, of New York, arrived here during the week for a several weeks' visit with her mother, Mrs. Peter Boschey. These people are millionaires and own some of the best property in that city.

Mrs. C. C. Beckman and daughter, Miss Carrie, left for Portland Tuesday. Miss Beckman will accompany a party of tourists who will sail for Europe about the 27th of August. Mr. Beckman and wife will go from Portland to New York next week and will remain about six months.

Mr. "Wittiness," of one of the semi-weekly papers, has taken exceptions to those initials of Mr. Ambrose, who recently lectured at the Chautauqua assembly. Well, those were not just the correct letters that should have appeared, but notwithstanding the mistake, we know two persons bearing the initials of N. A. Ambrose. There are many things Mr. "Wit" does not know and one of them is that it is not in good taste to mention mistakes of others in company. We are all liable to err.

A quiet wedding occurred Wednesday afternoon of July 24th, at 2 o'clock. It being the marriage of Miss Carrie Cronemiller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cronemiller, to Mr. J. M. Horton. Rev.

Robert Ennis, of the Presbyterian church, officiating. Only relatives and a few intimate friends of the contracting parties were present. Choice refreshments were served, after which the young couple left for Portland, where they will spend a couple of weeks. On their return they will go to housekeeping in the fine residence of J. DeRoboam adjoining St. Mary's academy, in which they have nicely furnished rooms. The groom has been the principal of the Jacksonville schools during the past year, and is an industrious upright man. The bride is a young woman of energy and intelligence, and will make a wife well worthy the man she has chosen as her life companion.

Lake Creek Creeklets.

BY ZIP.

Dick Slinger is now engaged harvesting his hay crop.

Chas. Turpin and family are over on Antelope visiting relatives.

Postmaster Randalls and wife visited Dick Slinger and family recently.

The statement in our last correspondence that the city of Eldrianna was depopulated and desolate was not correct. We were misinformed and Mike Hanley was quite right in calling our attention to it. However, one of the neighbors has been paid to convey Mrs. Weidle to Medford whenever so ordered by Mr. Weidle. As to Mike's statement that there was a jangle in our road district between the north and south fork citizens is new to me. I have been living here four years and have never heard any jangling in our district as represented. As that crack your Lake Creek correspondent gave our road supervisor has called fourth a prompt rebuke from Mike Hanley we would say for his benefit we will not retract one word from what has been said in regard to that needless expenditure of road work. We have no fault to find with the road. It is good. Our kick is against having two good roads so close together that you can step from one to the other. We reiterate that the road John Ingle built the spring before was a good road and there was no call whatever for the second.

Parties who contemplate making final proof on their land will find it to their advantage to call at THE MAIL office before making application to the land office. Application papers will be made out and all correspondence with the land office conducted free of charge.

POWER OF A METEOR.

It Causes a Strange Change in a Ship's Compass.

A very curious observation of the effects produced by a meteor seen at sea is made public through the hydrographic bureau in Washington. Capt. Redman, of the British steamship Nerano, when a little more than two hundred miles southeast of Cape Clear during a recent voyage from Baltimore to Havre, saw a meteor which appeared to pass close to his ship.

An observation of the north star taken soon after the appearance of the meteor showed a surprising result. The direction of the ship's compass needle had been changed no less than eleven degrees! Before the meteor passed the needle had pointed about 5 degrees 30 minutes west of true north, but now it pointed 5 degrees 30 minutes east of north.

That the meteor had caused the change was indicated by the fact that within twenty-four hours the needle returned to its former position, moving slowly back about eleven degrees toward the west.

Equally great effects have been produced upon ships' compasses by lightning, but in such cases the bolts have actually struck the ship. The meteor seen by Capt. Redman did not touch his ship, and while he makes no estimate of its actual distance it was probably considerable, since there is no report of its having been observed to fall into the sea.

A MALE MALAPROP.

An English Sexton Who Loved to Use Long Words.

Twenty years ago, one of the "sights" which amused visitors to St. George's chapel, Windsor, England, was Wise, the sexton. He was a Mr. Malaprop, with an affection for long words whose forms were changed, and high-sounding phrases, which he invariably misplaced, says London Tit Bits. Sir George J. Elvey, the organist of the chapel, relates several of these malapropisms in his "Life and Reminiscences." One day a clergyman, hurrying into the nave of St. George's just before afternoon service, remarked that he had walked all the way from Bishoppate in less than an hour. "Well," replied Wise, "you must be a good Presbyterian, then!" The poor fellow meant pedestrian. Seeing Dean Wellesley taking a constitutional outside of the chapel, the sexton said to a bystander: "Look at the dean—a propagating up and down them steps!" "My favorite paper," said he, "is the 'Electorate (Illustrated) News.'" Wise got it into his head that the chapel belonged to him, and that no one had a right to it without paying him a fee. "It doesn't matter," said he on one occasion, "who it is. Nobody—not even Mr. Dean himself—can't go in the chapel without first 'insulting' (consulting) me." So far did he carry out his idea of ownership that at last it was ordered by the authorities that no fees should be given for seeing the chapel.

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Location of Land

Lying but a few rods more than one mile to the east of

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Amount of Land in Tract

Is situated 160 acres of land which is especially adapted to

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This land has recently been placed upon the market and is now offered for sale in tracts of from

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The name, "Fairview," is given this property because, that being located as it is, on a slight eminence, a view of all parts of Medford and a good portion of the valley can be had from any part of the land. Nearly all of this land has been cleared and has been under cultivation for a number of years. The soil is of an exceptionally fine quality and its adaptability to fruit-growing has been proven. This land will be sold upon the

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How Payments may be Made

Payments may be made at \$1.25 per week, \$5 per month or \$15 every quarter, or a liberal discount will be made for all cash purchases.

Fruit and Fruit Culture

The success attending fruit culture is no longer an experiment. By direct analysis the soil is found to contain all the elements required to produce fruits from the semi-tropical to the hardiest varieties. Over these favorable conditions hangs a climate co-ordinated and adjusted to the nature of the soil.

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