

OUR COUNTY... Correspondents

TO CORRESPONDENTS.—All correspondents are requested to write on one side of the paper only. This will prevent our re-writing the matter written on the reverse pages, which must invariably be done, and will also prevent many interesting items from being entirely overlooked. Correspondents who are short on supplies should notify this office, and we will promptly furnish what is needed.

Ragle Point Eagles.

BY A. C. HOWLETT.

Born.—In Brownsboro, to Mr. and Mrs. John Caton on the 6th inst. a son.

Sheriff Patterson passed through our town, on official business, on Wednesday of last week.

Miss Beach, of Medford, was out last week visiting our school and looking for a situation to teach.

Robert Potter went to Ashland last week to consult a specialist in regard to his little son, Ralph.

Frank Lewis returned from the Applegate mines last Sunday, where he has been working for some time past.

Mr. Friese, of Central Point, passed through our town last week on the way to his ranch on Big Butte.

Grandma Griffith is reported very low with typhoid pneumonia at the residence of her son-in-law, M. S. Wood.

J. A. Jones has been putting up quite a string of picket and wire fence, weaving the pickets in as he makes the fence.

Nelson Nye, of Prospect, come down the latter part of last week to visit his sisters, Miss Elsie and Mrs. A. J. Florey.

Miss Davidson, of Medford, was interviewing our school directors in regard to our school also visiting the school Tuesday of last week.

Cass Higinbotham, who has been living on the Will Higinbotham place, moved last week to Evans creek, where he expects to engage in mining.

Young Mr. Gordon, of Siskiyou county, Calif., who has been over to visit his brother who took the wrong kind of medicine, returned to his home in California last week.

Fort Hubbard, of the firm of Hubbard Bros., of Medford, passed through town last Friday on the way to his ranch, on Clarks creek, on the north side of Big Butte. His family is stopping there this winter on account of his wife's health.

I am sorry to say that our efficient road supervisor, John Young, is partly laid up with a lame wrist. In attempting to climb over a fence he slipped and caught on his hand doubling it back so that fears were entertained of its being thrown out of place but I understand that he is improving.

S. F. Robinett is not only an expert in hammering and shaping iron but proves himself to be an expert as a soap maker. He reports to having made at one time in one kettle, seventy-five gallons of excellent soft soap in an incredibly short time. Mr. Robinett is also a reader of THE MAIL.

P. H. Daley has just closed a five month's term of school and it seems to be a universal wish of the patrons that the directors secure his services again, as he proves to be the right man in the right place, and it is said a petition is being circulated requesting the board of directors to employ him while they can get him.

In the game of foot ball between the Eagle Point and the Antelope club, referred to last week, there were two young men seriously hurt. Porter Robinett had his knee badly sprained and fears are entertained that his hip is dislocated. He has been confined to his bed ever since. One of the Vonder Hellen boys had his ankle so badly sprained that he, at last account, was confined to his bed.

Notes From Eden Precinct.

BY FARMER.

J. H. Stewart was shipping apples again last week.

Most everyone has been making more or less garden the past week.

The farmers are again busy early and late plowing and seedling.

Miss Sarah Kinney, of Central Point, is visiting at M. W. Smith's this week.

A. J. Hamlin, of Medford, was out on his ranch last week making preparations to move back to the farm in a few days.

The young people of the neighborhood spent a very enjoyable time with Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Bennett, on Thursday evening of last week. Various parlor games were at hand and the merry crowd did not exchange good nights until four of the small hours of the next day had passed. A lap supper was served during the evening also apples and popcorn a cheap plenty. The following are the names of

those present: Misses Lilly Edsall, Lena Hamlin, Thora Smith, Rosa Chapman, Belle Mills, Sarah Copeland, Effie Mills, Mabel Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. Gallagher, Mrs. M. Hamlin; Messrs. John Stewart, Fred Edsall, Will Mills, Wilfred Smith, John and Jesse Copeland.

Evans Creek Events.

BY GENEVA.

Born.—To the wife of S. McKee, February 3, 1896, a son.

Miss Ida Milton is staying with Mrs. D. Means, at Wimer.

Mrs. Clarence Pressley, of Bybee springs, was in Woodville Monday.

Fred Minthorne and wife spent Sunday with W. S. Eachus and family.

Mrs. J. W. Robinson and son are both quite ill with the whooping cough.

Born.—At Glendale, February 1, 1896, to the wife of Thomas Scott, a son.

Misses Maggie and Mary Hillis attended the dance in Woodville Friday night.

George Hiller, of Grants Pass, came up on his wheel Monday for a visit with Wm. Herriott.

T. H. B. Taylor and wife and Miss Booker were the guests of George Badly and wife Sunday.

Mott Smith, who has been a resident of this locality for the past few months, left for New York Friday.

Clarence Stevens and Charlie Nickerson, two of Woodville's popular young men, were in Wimer Sunday.

Mrs. Emma Neathammer, who died in Woodville February 3, 1896, was buried in the Rock Point cemetery Thursday.

Prospect Items.

BY MINERVA.

W. W. Willis was in Prospect Sunday.

Miss Pearl Woodruff has been quite ill with a bad cold. Dr. Officer is in attendance.

Stan Aiken is taking advantage of the fine weather to do some plowing. He will seed many acres to grain this spring.

M. A. Shirely is building a commodious root house in which to store the products of his fertile farm. McDonald Perdue is doing the carpenter work.

Owing to our illegible writing there was an item about Rev. Greene last week. The gentleman spoken of was our own jolly and rotund Ren (accent on the n) Greene.

Nelson Nye made a trip to the valley last week. Miss Elsie Nye, who has been spending the winter at Eagle Point with her sister, Mrs. Etta Florey, and attending school, returned home with Nelson.

Ed. Boothby called on his friends up Mill creek recently. He says the grass is starting and feeding will soon be at an end. Ed has been doing the feeding at the Red-blanket ranch and longs for an end of it—so much hay pitching isn't necessary to keep his appetite normal.

Central Point Items.

A. Messner, of Gold Hill, was here on Thursday.

Sheriff Patterson was in our city on business Monday.

Fred Birdsey, of Bolt, made our city a visit on Wednesday.

J. C. Hall has closed his saloon here and opened one in Medford.

J. H. Downing spent a day in Jacksonville last week on business.

Miss M. Cardwell made Gold Hill a business trip a few days ago.

Benj. Fredenburg, of Big Butte, spent a few days here during the week.

Dr. C. H. Carter, of Calif., is spending a few days with friends here.

Hon. S. M. Neelson, of Table Rock, was over last week after supplies.

Mrs. W. S. Fitzgerald, of Gold Hill, spent a couple of days here last week visiting friends.

Mr. Williams, of Sardine creek,

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DR.

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the mining expert, spent a day here last week.

Miss Stella Stidham, who is attending Ashland normal school, was home Sunday.

Mrs. Thos. Whelpley, of Flounee Rock, has returned home after a several days' visit with friends here.

The ladies are making good preparations for the Leap Year party and expect a large attendance.

There are two tickets nominated for the city officers to be elected on March 9, for the ensuing year.

MORE CENTRAL POINT ITEMS

BY WILL.

Misses Mary and Lettie Magruder were in Medford Saturday.

Miss Mae Earhart, of Medford, visited friends in Phoenix the past week.

Mrs. Court Hall, of Medford, visited relatives in Central Point Sunday.

Miss Martha Cardwell made a business trip to Jacksonville one day this week.

Archie Fries and Ned Magruder spent Saturday in Medford, guests of Ray Bunch.

Mrs. Elizabeth Simons was with friends in Medford and Central Point last week.

Miss Matilda Black and Annie Schneider, of Big Butte, are in for teacher's examination.

Fine weather; could anyone ask for better? A great many farmers are rejoicing and plowing.

A large crowd is expected at the Leap Year party. Over thirty tickets have already been sold.

Miss Davison, of Medford, was out the Brownsboro way a few days since looking for a spring term of school.

Miss Belle McDonald, who has been staying in Central Point, is visiting at the Beall place. She expects to go to Medford soon.

All Central Point goes walking when we can have such Sundays as the last. The railroad was lined with people out enjoying the sunshine.

Mrs. L. L. Freeman's little daughter, Annie, has been quite ill with the fever the past week. Dr. Kirchgessner, of Medford, was called and we are glad to report her improving in health.

A number of our people went to Medford Saturday to witness the foot ball game, which was reported to be between Eagle Point and Ashland at that place. The foot ball game proved to be a myth as no arrangements had been made to play at that day.

Southern Oregon Jockey Club.

The Southern Oregon Jockey Club met at Central Point, Oregon, last Saturday and elected a board of directors as follows:

S. U. Mitchell, W. E. Barr, J. C. Slagle, H. Montague, G. W. Cleveland and J. C. Pendleton.

The board then elected S. U. Mitchell, president; H. Montague, treasurer and J. C. Slagle, secretary. The board then prepared a program for the May meeting, to be held on the 13, 14, 15 and 16th of that month.

FIRST DAY.
No. 1.—Trotting and pacing, three-minute class, 2 in 3, purse \$200.
No. 2.—Two-year-old trotters, one-half mile, 2 in 3, purse \$200.
No. 3.—Running, one-half mile dash, free for all, purse \$100.
No. 4.—Trotting, 2:30 class, 3 in 5, purse \$200.
SECOND DAY.
No. 5.—Trotting, three-year-old, 2 in 3, purse \$200.
No. 6.—Five and one-half furlongs, selling purse, \$100.
No. 7.—Trotting, 2:30 class, 3 in 5, purse \$200.
No. 8.—Trotting and pacing, two-year-olds, 2 in 3, purse \$200.
THIRD DAY.
No. 9.—Pacing, 2:21 class, 3 in 5, purse \$200.
No. 10.—Seven-eighths mile dash, handicap, purse \$150.
No. 11.—Trotting, 2:30 class, 3 in 5, purse \$250.
No. 12.—Trotting 2:30 class, 3 in 5, purse \$250.
FOURTH DAY.
No. 13.—Trotting, free for all, 2 in 5, purse \$300.
No. 14.—Three-eighths mile dash, free for all, purse \$150.
No. 15.—Pacing, free for all, 3 in 5, purse \$300.
No. 16.—Three-eighths mile dash for ponies, purse \$100.
No. 17.—One-half mile dash, untitled three-year-old colts, purse \$100.

All colts races are for colts raised in North Pacific circuit. Trotting races to be governed by national trotting association; 4 to enter and 3 to start. In all races 5 per cent of purse is required to accompany entries, and 5 per cent for purse winners.

A New Deal on the Northern Pacific.

That enterprising and "Old Reliable" has consummated traffic arrangements with the S. P. whereby they run one of their upholstered tourist sleeping cars carrying passengers from Oakland, Calif., via Southern Oregon to St. Paul, Minn., without change of cars. This car passes through Ashland, Medford, Grants Pass, Oregon every Wednesday on the regular S. P. overland train. A second class ticket gives you the right to take this car, which you will find clean, neat and comfortable. A uniformed porter in charge to look after the interests of all passengers going east via that line. Go east via the N. P. and advise all your friends to do likewise, and be happy. For tickets or further information apply to A. D. Carlton, A. G. P. & T. Agent, Portland, Oregon, or F. C. Case, N. P. Agent, Grants Pass, Oregon, or C. C. Belknap, Medford, Oregon.

Are You Going to Prove up?

Parties who contemplate making final proof on their land can save a big item of expense by having us prepare their paper, which work we will do free of charge. Bring or send us the name of party making proof, description of land, the names of four persons who appear as witnesses and the date upon which proof is to be made, giving time for six weeks' publication.

SLANG WORDS AND PHRASES.

The Origin of "Outsider." "You're a Daisy" and "Too Thin."

"Dun" is a word whose meaning is now known to everyone who understands the English language. About the beginning of the century, says the Boston Post, a constable in England named John Dun became celebrated as a first-class collector of bad accounts. When others would fail to collect a bad debt, Dun would be sure to get it out of the debtor. It soon passed into a current phrase that when a person owed money and did not pay when asked, he would have to be "Dunned." Hence it soon became common in such cases to say: "You will have to dun So-and-so if you wish to collect your money."

Until the nomination of Franklin Pierce for the presidency the word "outsider" was unknown. The committee on credentials came to make its report and could not get into the hall because of the crowd of people who were not members of the convention. The chairman of the committee asked if the committee was ready to report, and the chairman of the committee answered: "Yes, Mr. Chairman, but the committee is unable to get inside on account of the crowd and pressure of the outsiders." The newspaper reporters took up the word and used it.

"You are a daisy," is used by Dickens in "David Copperfield" in the sense of calling a person a daisy in the way to express admiration and at the same time to laugh at one's credulity. Steerforth says to young Copperfield: "David, my daisy, you are so innocent of the world. Let me call you my daisy, as it is so refreshing to find one in these corrupt days so innocent and unspoiled. My dear Copperfield, the daisies of the field are not fresher than you."

"Too thin" was given currency by Alexander H. Stephens, of Georgia, in the United States congress in 1870. Some members had made a reply to Mr. Stephens, and the latter had his chair wheeled out in the aisle, and said in that shrill, piping voice which always commanded silence: "Mr. Speaker, the gentleman's arguments are gratuitous assertions made up of whole cloth—and cloth, sir, so gauzy and thin that it will not hold water. It is entirely too thin, sir."

AMERICAN FOOD AND COOKING.

Some Remarkable Statements in a Recent French Review Not Known Out by Facts.

The ignorance of French writers who treat of matters relating to the United States is generally very much in evidence. One of them in a recent issue of the Revue Scientifique, writing upon the subject of our edible turtles and incidentally of cookery in this country, makes the statement that green turtles are taken in the neighborhood of New York—from there to Florida. He also asserts that it is only in ailments of aquatic origin that our food products are superior to those of Europe, that our fishes are abundant and generally good, but that our culinary treatment of them is inferior. As regards our meats, poultry and game, the Frenchman dismisses them as little worthy of attention. Of the first two it may be conceded, says the New York Sun, that the average quality is not so high as in France. His estimate of our game is probably based upon the condition in which it reaches European markets, where it is sold in large quantities in the close season here. This estimate is not a fair one, inasmuch as almost all of our game which goes abroad has, previous to shipment, been held for months in cold-storage warehouses, to its deterioration both in quality and flavor. As regards our native cookery, the French writer asserts that there is not much in it to tempt a European particularly, and especially a Frenchman. While this may be true concerning the country at large, an exception must be made in favor of the native cookery of Maryland and eastern Virginia and that of the creole population of Louisiana, which, within its compass, is second to none. The fact must not be lost sight of that in the last decade culinary skill with us has made great advances, the results of which would not be apparent to a superficial foreign observer. A case in point illustrative of our progress in this direction is offered in the alimentary department of our exchanges for woman's work. Within the restrictions which it imposes, the edibles there on sale, the work of native feminine bread winners, are promptly bought by discriminating purchasers, so far as they are superior to foreign preparations of a similar character.

He Stacked.

A traveling man just home from a far western trip has brought with him something new in linguistic novelties. "I was eating dinner in a restaurant way out west," he said, "and as I finished the bustling waiter girl scorching up to me and asked in a fast express sort of tone: 'Do you want any dessert?' 'Yes, I will take some,' I answered. 'Well, then, stack!' she demanded, in an impressive tone. 'Stack!' I repeated, thinking it was something new to eat, 'what's that?' 'Why, pile your dinner dishes up,' she impatiently explained. So I 'stacked' all the little dishes on my plate and she scorching off with them and brought me three kinds of pie, two kinds of pudding and some frozen custard."—Louisville Courier

The Leading Periodicals.

THE MAIL will until the withdrawal of these notices furnish leading periodicals to its readers as follows:

LIPPINCOTT'S MAGAZINE. Will be furnished to our subscribers only, for \$2.25 a year, or together with one year's subscription to THE MAIL for \$3.50—payments invariably in advance in both cases.

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WIG RIOTS.

Troubles Among the Hairdressers of Olden Times.

A long chapter might be written on hairdressers, their rights and wrongs and revolutions; but they have always been stanch Tories in their hatred of wigs. England had her wig riot in the reign of George II.; Milan had hers in the reign of Maria Theresa. It arose from an audacious attempt by some restless innovator to cover every fashionable head in Milan with a wig of steel or silver wire, warranted to save some three hours' daily toil and endurance in the dressing of the hair. Up rose the hairdressers like one man, and petitioned the empress to save them from the threatened ruin of their art.

The empress listened to their prayer, and straightway decreed that anyone wearing one of these new-fangled periwigs must pay a fine of fifty sequins or be thrice scourged in public. She further empowered the police to search private houses for the offending article, and to destroy it if found. To this imperial legislation Goldoni alludes in the doggerel lines:

In that great day it came to pass That a gentle countess was forced, alas! For her hairdresser's sake to forego her mass.

He kept her too long at her toilet. Ten years later another satirist published an "Account of a Prodigious Comet Lately Seen at Milan," the comet being a transcendent specimen of the hairdresser's art, erected on the head of a certain noble dame.—Macmillan's Magazine.

Real Estate Transfers.

Nannie Barr to F. K. Deuel 1 6-100 acres to 37 sec 31 s 1 w.....	250
C. B. Crisler to Margaret Adams lots 3 and 4 Nickel Plate add to Ashland.....	300
James D. Stephens to Della Noland 13 91-100 acres in Amy & Harbaugh's Central Point property.....	650
Oliver Harbaugh to James D. Stevens and undivided 1/2 interest in 13 91-100 acres in lot 2 of Amy & Harbaugh's Central Point property.....	347
Sallie A. Hill to John D. Stewart 9 20-100 acres sec 33 tp 39 s 1 e.....	300
L. F. Willis to George and Jennie Irwin 2 1/2 acres sec 5 tp 39 s 1 e.....	750
U. S. to Vincent Cook 30 acres in sec 17 tp 39 s 2 w.....	
U. S. to Cordelia L. Ankeny 20 acres in sec 33 tp 39 s 2 w.....	
U. S. to Ray H. Cooke 20 acres sec 33 tp 39 s 2 w.....	
U. S. to Henry E. Ankeny 20 29-100 acres sec 4 tp 39 s 2 w.....	
U. S. to the Sterling mining company 70 acres of placer mining ground in sec 9 tp 39 s 2 w.....	
Michael Woolley to E. R. Minter an undivided 1/2 interest in and to the s 1/2 of sec 26 tp 39 s 1 w containing 40 acres also s 1/2 of sec 2 and s 1/2 of sec 3 of sec 23 and lot 5 containing 38 1/2 acres both in sec 14 tp 35 s 1 e.....	1
U. S. to James W. Cook 30 acres in sec 17 tp 39 s 2 w.....	1
Jessie Amy to James D. Stevens 13 91-100 acres in lot 2 of Amy & Harbaugh's Central Point property.....	347
Silas J. Day administrator of the estate of Haskel Amy to James D. Stevens an undivided 1/2 interest in 13 91-100 sec 10 tp 37 s 2 w.....	2
John Gentner to Kaspar J. Kubli 340 acres tp 37 s 1 w.....	1500
Victor Flisk to Orin C. Starwood 80 acres tp 37 s 1 w.....	
Frank H. McDonald to Bell McDonald 13 7 and 8 Miners add to Ashland.....	5

FRIGHTENED THE HOODLUMS.

A Snowballing Gang in a Cross Street Defeated by Strategy.

"That was rather a neat way a friend of mine got the better of a hoodlum gang of snowballers one day recently," said Hornby at the club, according to the New York Sun. "There were about fifty boys of various sizes and ages, most of them above ten years, and they had taken complete possession of a block on one of the cross streets up town. Every man who came into that street was snowballed out of it, and the drivers and their horses were mercilessly pelted. Whenever a policeman would come in sight lookouts would notify the gang and they would move to another block and the reign of terror would begin there. If a man decided to chase one part of the gang the others would move up close behind him and make the attack so terrific that it is nine cases out of ten he would be glad to flee for his safety."

"This friend of mine happened along when such a bombardment was going on, and he saw a man wild with rage escape with hat gone and clothes bespattered from head to foot. Now it was necessary for my friend to go into that street to serve a legal paper. He saw the householders crowding to their windows and enjoying the sport almost as much as the boys, and he knew that when his turn came not only must he run the gauntlet of a terrific fire, but he must be subjected to the ridicule and laughter of the spectators. He shut his lips tight and went in. He had been particularly to notice a heap of pretty clean snow about one hundred feet from where the attack would begin. His hat was soon knocked off and the snowballs were pounding him on the bare head and on his clothes. He made for that heap of clean snow as steadily as he could, and just as he reached it and just as a ball struck him on the head near one of his ears he threw up his hands and fell into that snow as if he had been knocked unconscious."

"He had planned this from the start. There were cries from the spectators, and shouts that the man had been killed. Instantly every one of those street Arabs fled, and in the twinkling of an eye not one was to be seen. It was an easy matter for my friend to pull himself together again, and then he went on unmolested."

"There is some excuse," said the police judge, "for a man becoming exasperated by the strains of a hand organ, but to rush out and attack the musician with an ax is carrying things with a little too high a hand." "I know it is, judge," pleaded the man who had never been in a police court before, "but when a blame dago comes and stops in front of the house just after a man has had an argument with his wife about whether he gets an overcoat or her a cloak and begins playin' 'Home, Sweet Home,' it is more than flesh an' blood kin stand!" —Indianapolis Journal.

S. CHILDERS' FAIRVIEW ADDITION. Location of Land Lying but a few rods more than one mile to the east of Medford, Oregon. Amount of Land in Tract Is situated 160 acres of land which is especially adapted to Fruit Growing. Now on the Market This land has recently been placed upon the market and is now offered for sale in tracts of from 2 1/2 to 10 Acres. Commands an Excellent View of Medford 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 Installment Plan. 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. 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. For further information concerning this desirable property call on or address S. CHILDERS, MEDFORD, OREGON.