

PURELY PERSONAL.

A. W. and H. C. SHEARER were in from Steamboat Monday. W. K. DAVIS is out at his Applegate mine for a couple of weeks.

Mrs. LEE CUNNINGHAM, of Ashland, was visiting Medford friends this week.

J. A. WHITMAN returned last Friday from his quite extended business visit to San Francisco.

Miss BERTIE JONES was up from Central Point Monday for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Bert Childers.

H. E. SAYLES, of Ashland, was in Medford Tuesday having his eyes treated by Drs. Goary & Pikel.

C. A. BURNETT, of Brownboro, was at the county seat last Saturday making final proof upon his splendid homestead.

City Recorder YORK was at Jacksonville a few days this week making a copy of the road tax list for this district.

LEE STAMEY, of Olympia, Wash., was in Medford last week visiting L. M. Lyon and family. The gentleman contemplates locating here permanently.

A. J. WEBBER, of Rolla, Missouri, arrived in Medford last Saturday and will make this place his future home. He is a brother of our good townsman, Geo. E. Webber.

ARTHUR WEEKS, of Oakland, Calif., was visiting friends and relatives at Medford and Phoenix, last week. Mr. W. is an architect in the employ of the Southern Pacific railroad.

Ex-county Recorder HOLMES was up from Central Point Monday for a brief business stop. Mr. H. is a cracking good business man and a genial good fellow to meet—and he can't come to often.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. VOWELS and children and J. M. FALLIS, of Oak Lake, Manitoba, arrived in Medford Monday. They are relatives of Prof. Head and Mr. Orser, and have come in about upon remaining.

W. H. and G. V. STICKEL, of Eagle Point, were pleasant visitors at THE MAIL office on Wednesday of this week. The first named is now numbered among our several hundred subscribers—which several hundred is climbing close to seventeen.

Rev. S. B. CHASTAIN, than whom there is no finer gentleman in any locality, and who is as well an able preacher, left last Saturday to accept a pastorate in the Baptist church at Lakeriver, Oregon. We are wishing him much happiness and big results from his earnest work.

Merchant I. A. MOUNCE returned last Friday from his quite extended trip to Iowa. He reports having had a very skookum time among his friends and, true to the dictates of an honest conscience, he is saying that he is glad to be here and again back in the rays of a Southern Oregon sunshine.

J. C. SLAGLE and U. S. MITCHELL, of Central Point, were in Medford Monday. These gentlemen are officers of the Southern Oregon Jockey club. They report very favorable indications for a large number of entries for the club's May meeting. Everything possible is being done to make the meeting a crowding success.

JAS. HOCKING and family left Jacksonville Wednesday for their old home at Almena, Kansas. These people came to Jacksonville two years ago with the intention of making this their permanent home, but unfortunately for them the farm home which they left behind in Kansas could not be disposed of and they are now compelled to return and operate it themselves. In their going Jacksonville loses one of its best families—but THE MAIL hopes and feels quite sure, that the scorching sun rays and the blustering winds of one summer coupled with the blizzards of one winter in Kansas will cause them to seek again the fertile, blooming valley of the Great Rogue.

Among the Churches.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH. Rev. Wm. Hart will hold divine services at the Episcopal church next Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. All are invited to attend.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Regular Presbyterian services next Sunday at usual hours, in M. E. church, South. A collection will be taken for the board of aid for colleges. A. S. Foster, pastor.

MEETINGS POSTPONED.

As the public schools will be delayed a week in getting out of the ch'rch, and the revival service still continues at the M. E. church, we have concluded to postpone our meetings until March 7th. Saturday night, at which time Rev. E. A. Ross, the evangelist and revivalist, will arrive in Medford and remain two weeks.

A. S. FOSTER, J. A. CRITCHFIELD.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Services will be of usual interest. Sunday school at 10 a. m. will be equipped with new class books and new secretary's register. The growth of the school requires a new class to be formed. That's right bring in the children and youths; yes, and the parents also. Preaching services 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The morning will be a "home reunion" and roll call meeting. Every member whose name is on the roll should be present or accounted for. Junior meeting a 3:30 and don't forget these little folks. Their work is very important and is being well done. Come and see. The Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. will be led by Mrs. S. S. Pentz and promises to be full of life and Christian zeal. It is the monthly consecration meeting. 7:30 p. m. is foreign missions hour and a sketch of missionaries and the first foreign missionary will occupy the evening don't fail to come. Converts for the Christian church at the rate of more than one thousand every week. And a new church for every day in the year.

Every tax-payer in McMinnville is a member of the local board of trade, without dues, fees or assessments, and committees have been appointed to look after various matters of public improvement, entertain visitors, etc.

Legal blanks at THE MAIL office.

Populists in Convention.

Saturday was populist day in Medford, and the city was crowded with those who had gathered to attend the convention—which had been called to choose delegates to the state convention, at Salem, March 25, 1896.

Little business of any importance was transacted at the morning session. The meeting was held in the opera house, and was called to order at 11 a. m. by the chairman of the central committee, Frank Williams. Hon. S. M. Nealon, of Table Rock, was chosen as chairman of the convention, and Ira Wakefield, of Eden precinct, was also chosen as secretary, with A. M. Ford, of Central Point, as his assistant.

After some discussion, the chair appointed a committee on credentials, and the meeting then adjourned to meet again in the afternoon.

Following is a report of the findings of the credentials committee:

- Applegate—W. B. Miller, E. T. Johnson, R. E. Brown.
West Jacksonville—J. W. Thomas, R. Kingsley by J. W. Thomas.
Talent—W. M. Abbott, Emmet Beeson, M. B. Pollet, S. H. Dunlap, N. D. Brophy, H. H. Goddard, A. R. Rhodes, A. J. Lovelady.
South Jacksonville—Granville Naylor, D. J. S. Pearce, A. Schmiding.
West Ashland—Frank Williams, Thos. Blanton.
North Ashland—D. H. Hawkins, A. W. Jacobs, T. W. Bryant.
Central Point—J. D. Williams, J. W. Jarvis, Wm. Casey, W. Little, L. Rodenberger, A. M. Ford, W. W. Scott, B. C. Smith, C. C. Gilchrist.
Table Rock—S. M. Nealon, C. C. Gall, P. Y. VanHardenburg, S. T. Hodges, G. E. Whitman.
Eden—S. H. Holt, J. W. Wiley, W. E. Anderson, Ira Wakefield, R. Nywander, Geo. Clift, W. J. Drumhull.
Trail Creek—Harvey Richardson.

At the afternoon session several questions were brought up and disposed of, after which the following delegates were elected to represent this county in the state convention:

- J. A. Jeffrey, F. Williams, Rufus Cox, J. W. Marksbury, S. H. Holt, E. E. Phipps, J. W. Thomas, J. W. Wiley, Geo. Jackson, W. H. Bradshaw, S. M. Nealon, A. S. Barnes, G. F. Schmidtlie.

The following resolutions were then read and adopted:

The question of finance being admitted by all parties to be the most important question before the American people during the approaching political campaign; therefore be it resolved, that we hereby cordially invite all persons from amongst the republican and democratic parties to join us and share equally with us in the glories and honors of the defeat of the overthrow of the rings, syndicates, trusts and combines, both foreign and domestic, that are attempting to rob the laborer and producer of the rewards of industry through a gold standard and policy and hypocritical cry of sound money.

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BITS OF LOCAL RAILWAY NEWS.

J. L. Castle shipped four carloads of cattle to Portland Saturday.

Two more well known S. P. conductors on the north end have received notification that their services are no longer needed.

A good deal of work is just now being done on the shortline track. The grade is to be widened and otherwise thoroughly overhauled.

The pay car passed south Sunday and disbursed of several shining dollars among the company's faithful representatives and employees.

Conductor Jamison, we learn, has been permanently laid off, and Sam'l Veatch takes his room in the overland between Roseburg and Ashland.

The granite-gravel placed on the S. P. track now serves a double purpose. It not only makes excellent ballast, but it also affords bicyclists a splendid track.

The Southern Oregon Pork Packing company will ship a carload of mixed packing house products, including dressed beef and pork, to San Francisco.

J. A. Whitman shipped a carload of apples to Tacoma last Saturday and tomorrow or Monday he will ship a carload to San Francisco. This will close his apple shipments for the year.

J. H. Stewart shipped a carload of apples to Portland on Wednesday of this week. He still has on hand about five carloads which are now being boxed and will be shipped sometime within the next two weeks.

Bellinger & Hill, draymen, report the receipt this week of one carload of salt for the Southern Oregon Pork Packing company; one carload oil for the Standard Oil company; one carload slabs for Electric company and one carload of lumber for H. Klipple.

The cashier of the Columbia National bank of Tacoma, W. G. Peters, has been indicted in the federal court, on forty-six counts, for violations of the banking law.

Marshfield was the scene of a murder Tuesday, in which Carl Albright shot and killed his wife, firing five shots at her back, for which act there is considerable talk of a "neck tie party."

—For bargains in real estate go to C. W. Palm.

—Demorest, the dentist—opera block, Modford.

—One hundred good envelopes with your name and address neatly printed on them—we furnish the envelopes and do the printing, all for 75 cents.

Reception to the Grand Chancellor.

There has been occasions in Medford upon which there was experienced much of pleasure, much of good cheer and much of loyalty to society and to man, and there probably will be many another such occasion ere the dial of time shall have bidden us all to surrender ourselves to the destiny which awaits us and which is being shaped by our own hands—be it a destiny just or a destiny unjust; but the occasion of Wednesday evening of this week is one written so legibly upon the memory of all present that years of time will not efface.

February 19, 1896, the same being Wednesday evening of this week, was the thirty-second anniversary of the founding of Pythian Knights. Members of Talisman lodge, No. 31, K. of P., of this city, decided, a few weeks ago, that it would be but fitting that they commemorate the day in some manner and at the same time they decided it would be but proper that they give to one of their members, Dr. E. P. Geary, grand chancellor of the state of Oregon, a reception—in consideration of the high esteem in which each and all members hold him and in honor of the office which he holds—the highest which the Pythian Knights of the state can bestow.

In accord with the views of the members invitations were sent out and upon the evening above mentioned their beautiful lodge hall was filled to its full capacity with those invited friends, their families and lady friends, and the Knights and their families. When all had been seated Chancellor Commander A. J. McLeod sounded his gavel and the evening's program was opened with a prayer by Rev. J. A. Crutchfield. Following this was instrumental music by Miss Myrtle Hart; song by Gore Bros., address by Rev. Crutchfield; a few pleasant remarks by Dr. E. P. Geary; solo by Mrs. W. I. Vawter; recitation by Miss Genevieve Reames; song by Gore Bros.; recitation by Miss May Merriman; instrumental music by Miss Hart; presentation of an elegant gold headed cane to Grand Chancellor Geary by Chancellor Commander McLeod; response by Mr. Geary; a couple of pleasant little parrot stories by A. A. Fuller, of Woodburn, Oregon, lodge. This completed the musical and literary entertainment. We would like right well to speak of the participants separately and extend to them a few words of the many which would be required to properly compliment them upon their excellent renditions, but as we go to press early Thursday it is impossible to do so.

At the close of the above entertainment a luncheon of ice cream cake and oranges was served and after this a candy pull—in which everybody took a hand—full of taffy and pulled vigorously. The refreshments were prepared by Frank Wilson, the baker, and was excellent.

The presentation of the cane to Mr. Geary in honor of his devotion to the order and its principles was a surprise to that gentleman. That it really was a surprise and that the gift was fully appreciated was not doubted by any one who heard his few words of acceptance.

A special train came over from Jacksonville for the occasion and about twenty-five invited friends from that place were in attendance.

There were fully two hundred people present at the reception and not one was there among them but that enjoyed the evening's entertainment and we venture the assertion that all think better of the order since having heard a few words bearing upon its principles and the foundation upon which it rests.

UNHARMED IN FIRE.

German Fireman Wears the "Scaphander" and Secures Immunity.

There are some fire apparatus and appliances in which the firemen of Berlin, Germany, are undoubtedly ahead of us. Of these apparatus the most notable is the fire "scaphander." The word "scaphander," which means either "hollow man" or "hollow to receive a man," is generally applied to the suit of impermeable material in which the diver arranges himself before he goes down into the water. The fire scaphander is on the lines of the diver's scaphander, the only difference, in fact, being that it is made of a different material. The fire scaphander is made of asbestos and rubber, and is absolutely proof against fire. It neither takes fire nor is permeable to the heat of fire. A man in an asbestos suit or scaphander can take a leisurely walk through roaring flames or through the thickest volume of smoke with comfort, or at least with complete immunity from being burned or choked. The helmet is donned apart from the rest of the suit and is hermetically fitted to the suit, the riveting being so perfect that air is excluded. A plate of glass, specially prepared to stand great heat without cracking, is imbedded in the front of the helmet and allows the wearer to see plainly. To the fireman thus equipped air is supplied, just as it is supplied to the diver at work, through a tube, the one end of which is held at the earth's surface and the other end is in the helmet.

His Way.

We all know the story of that bright boy who answered correctly when asked how many legs a fly has, but who had been enabled to do it only by catching an insect and counting. The Philadelphia Record gives a parallel instance: A teacher recently told her scholars to mark on their slates the Roman numerals from one to twelve. In about three minutes one of the boys held up his hand signifying that he had accomplished the work. "Why, Johnny," said the teacher, "how you must have hurried! None of the others scholars are half done. Now tell me how you came to finish so quickly." "I copied them from the clock on the wall up there," replied Jimmy, with great glee.

Just Eighty-Two New Ones.

We print below our list of new subscribers—received since December 6, '95. At that time we had taken 410 new subscribers since January 4, 1895. Add to this number the 82 and we have 492 new names as the result of not quite fourteen months work. Local advertisers will please notice that sixty of these new ones are residents of Jackson county. We now have very nearly 1800 subscribers in the county. Here is the new list:

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Joe Mackey, Wellen
E. E. Miner, Medford
John Watkins, Trail
W. J. Brand, Medford
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W. T. Crane, Medford
Ella J. Cole, Medford
Sarah Jones, Provoit
A. Bettis, Eagle Point
Geo. Kurtz, Medford
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M. L. Peden, Roseburg
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D. Anderson, Gold Hill
Mart Baker, Gold Hill
F. B. Chas. Jones, Hill
L. A. Ayers, Eagle Point
Bert Childers, Medford
W. H. Stevens, Medford
J. W. H. Miller, Medford
Burr Miller, Applegate
Thos. S. Mayten, Calif
W. H. Schilling, Medford
G. W. Barrow, Central Point
J. K. Fitzgerald, Medford
John Neustrom, Medford
Thos. Heintz, Medford
Thos. Perry, Sams Valley
C. H. Manwaring, Medford
W. H. Stickle, Eagle Point
G. B. Casdwell, Applegate
J. P. Moomaw, Eagle Point
John A. Williams, Medford
Henry Hornby, Applegate
S. F. Robinson, Central Point
D. Peninger, Central Point
A. M. Helms, Redding, Calif
E. W. Brown, Ten Mile, Ore
J. H. Hoffman, Jacksonville
Rev. J. H. Mayfield, Medford
Jesse Neishammer, Wimer
James Riley, Central Point
Dr. W. W. Stannfield, Medford
G. R. Pelton & Co., Medford
Henry Griber, Asbestos, Ore
G. F. W. Howell, Hill
Jas. A. Wright, Central Point
T. L. Linkawler, Eagle Point
Jas. M. Lewis, Eagle Point
Chas. H. Burggraf, Salem, Ore
Rev. John Wood, Eagle Point
Roy Bossum, Greenland, Colo
Fred White, Alima, Nebraska
J. B. Montgomery, Eagle Point
J. W. Armstrong, Sams Valley
E. W. Bailey, Tillamook, Ore
Sam'l Harrah, Bushville, Neb
Catherine Wooley, Eagle Point
G. W. Eaton, Lyonsville, Calif
J. C. Barrow, Centerville, Iowa
Elder A. B. Hood, Central Point
W. P. Lawrence, Garfield, Wash
Mrs. W. L. Moore, Truckee, Calif
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Edgar Bundy, Vancouver, Wash
James Hocking, Almena, Kansas
Rev. S. Chastain, Lakeview, Ore
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Wilson, The Baker

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Water in Rocks.

Baron Nordenskjold has shown practically that water can be found by boring into granite and other crystalline rocks to a depth of from one hundred to one hundred and seventy feet. His theory was that the variations in temperature ought to cause shearing strains between the upper and lower layers of the rock, which would make horizontal crevices into which water from the surface would percolate, and that the water would be fresh. A well was sunk in the islet of Arko, off the Swedish coast, in 1894, and at one hundred and ten feet fresh water was found, supplying four thousand four hundred gallons a day; since then six other wells have been bored and water found at about the same depth. The object of the search was to provide lighthouses and pilot stations with a permanent and plentiful supply of water.

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