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.]

### Eagle Point Eaglets.

BY A. C. HOWLETT.

Rev. L. L. Grove will preach next Sunday at 7:30 p. m.

Cattle buyers are getting to be almost as thick as office seekers in this neighborhood.

On Thursday of last week Drs. Officer and Patterson performed a surgical operation on the son of Dan'l Gray.

Harry Carlton and Charles Jones, who have been to the coast looking after cattle interests, returned home Wednesday.

Miss Daisy Stanfield, formerly of this place, is here visiting friends. She came out on Tuesday of last week with your correspondent and wife.

Mrs. M. S. Wood started for Ashland last Saturday to spend a week among friends and look after the interests of her sister, the late Miss Etta Griffith.

A man by the name of Mitchel came in from Klamath county with Mr. Abbeloose for the purpose of buying up a band of cattle. He has bought several head in this neighborhood.

One of the Ormiston boys, who has been assisting in nursing Prof. P. H. Daley, had a business call to California last week, whether he has gone. Prof. Daley, whose case is pronounced somewhat improved, was quite loth to part with him.

John Irwin, of The Dalles, has been here a few days visiting the Hoyt brothers, and looking up cattle. He and Ed. Hoyt came near getting into trouble in Butte creek. They drove into what proved to be quite deep water, and as a result they had to ride some three miles in wet clothes.

Lorenzo (Bud) Obenchain, of Klamath county, came in on Monday of last week to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Obenchain, and to help Benj. Abbeloose drive his band of cattle out to his Klamath county ranch. Benj. Abbeloose also came in about the middle of last week, and expects to start out as soon as the weather permits.

Last Saturday, notwithstanding the heavy rain storm, our town was crowded with men, women and children. It had been announced the populists were going to hold their primary, and the result was that they came from every quarter and reminded one of a swarm of bees in May. By a little after 1 o'clock p. m. the hall was thronged with anxious and interested voters. The meeting was called to order and W. H. Bradshaw was chosen chairman and James Kent secretary. After a few appropriate remarks by the chair they proceeded to elect nine delegates to attend the county convention in Medford. One good move, in the right direction, was a resolution doing away with the proxy business—every man was expected to attend in person. The meeting resulted in the election of nine delegates as follows: A. Hoyt, W. W. French, S. A. Carlton, R. R. Minter, J. W. Smith, M. F. Hurst, G. W. Stevens, Wert Pool and James Kent, and Messrs. S. A. Carlton, F. W. Mitchel, W. W. Smith and R. R. Minter as precinct committee and F. W. Mitchel, who is also a member of the county committee, as chairman of the precinct committee.

### Central Point Items.

Rev. W. B. Moore, of Jacksonville, tarried here Saturday night.

There are quite a number of our citizens attending circuit court this week.

Peter Applegate has returned home from the state republican convention.

J. E. Harvey was up from Gold Hill on Friday looking after his business here.

Miss Mary Jacobs, who has spent several weeks in Ashland, returned home last week.

Miss Stella Stidham, who is teaching school on Applegate, spent Saturday at home.

Miss Helen Little took charge of the spring term of school on Big Butte last Monday.

Mrs. E. M. Leever and Miss Mary Magruder has opened a dressmaking shop on Manzanita street.

Stephen Cornutt and family will leave for California in a few days to make that place their future home.

Edward R. Owen died at the residence of his brother, W. A. Owen, on Eriday evening after a long and painful illness. He was buried in the Jacksonville cemetery on Sunday, and was followed to his last resting place by a large concourse of friends.

Mrs. Chas. Murphy, of Wasco county, is paying her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. McDonald, of Tolo, a visit.

Mr. Joseph Downing and wife are at Ashland, at the bed-side of Mrs. James Downing, who is in a critical condition.

L. C. Rodenberger, Mrs. Sarah Baker, Mrs. Wm. Nichols, John Jacobs and Wm. Nichols are attending court as witnesses in the Peninger trial.

### Prospect Items.

BY MINERVA.

M. A. Shirley was in Medford last week.

Eugene Blackford called on his friends on Mill creek last week.

Miss Maud Boothby is stopping with Mrs. Geo. Gray, at the Skookum ranch.

Stan. Aiken has replenished his stock. The store is quite a convenience and Stan. is the proper people to supply the wants of all.

Geo. Stockton killed a timber wolf a few days ago not three hundred yards from his door. The wolf stood three feet high and was six feet in length—was shot at twenty paces. The animal was chasing a deer, which deer was nearly run to death and frightened out of its wits as it ran through Stockton's door-yard; it took a rest not two steps in front of E. S. Moore's door, and passed very near R. Rasmussen,s house before taking to the woods.

Our postmistress, Mrs. Ada M. Aiken, will have one of the prettiest door-yards to be seen when the plants therein are in bloom. The lady loves flowers, gives them the care they need and the result is very satisfactory. Stan. has had something to do with beautifying the place, bringing a stream of water from the creek to keep flowers and shrubs fresh throughout the summer, said stream finally emptying into a basin forming a good sized lake, the bank of which is but a few steps from the door, and is stocked with carp and other fish.

### Notes From Eden Precinct.

BY FARMER.

I have nothing of especial interest to report from this section this week except a surprise party last Thursday evening, given in honor of Miss Sarah Copeland's 17th birthday. The party was given at Miss Copeland's home; Misses Sloper and Smith did the secret work, and it proved a complete and also an agreable surprise. The evening was spent in various party plays and the usual round of fun was had. We trust Miss Copeland will have many such pleasant surprises as time rolls on. I am not fully prepared to give the names of those present, but to the best of my knowledge the following list is correct: Misses Minnie and Irene Sloper, Bell and Effie Mills, Lilly Edsal. Messrs. Wm. Mills, Fred Edsall, Ben Sloper, John Stewart, Edward Hughs, Gilbert Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Gallaher, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Anderson, W. M. Smith and family.

### Sams Valley Items.

Chas. Moon made a flying trip to Louse creek last week.

S. T. Hodges and family and Mrs. A. L. Gall visited in Ashland several days last week.

Bert Rowe, of Kerbyville, who has been visiting his parents at this place, has returned to his home.

W. S. Gall and J. Wyatt struck some flattering prospects last week in their quartz ledge near Payne gulch.

At the populist convention held in Table Rock precinct Saturday, the following delegates were elected; C. C. Gall, F. L. Rowe, W. P. Van Hardenburg, A. L. Gall, S. M. Nealon, J. E. Potter, M. Perry and Geo. Childers.

### Table Rock Items.

Otis Frierson boasts of being the owner of the smartest pig on record and is willing to prove the assertion to any and all visitors. For some time a pet Jersey cow has been failing in her milk and in no way could Mr. F. account for this shrinkage; about the same time that the milk began to fail, a small pig (and by the way the only one the mother was blessed with) began to grow exceedingly fat, but imagine the owner's surprise when one day he discovered the youthful swine sitting on his haunches, with his front feet resting against the cow's legs—taking milk by the wholesale. The cow seems to be quite satisfied with her young care and the two can be found together most any time during the day. The cow lost her calf only a few weeks ago, which may have something to do with her liking for the pig. For a few days visitors invited free.



### Call to Action.

Know ye not that there is a silver party in the field? That appeals to the reason of the wage worker, laborer and farmer, saying "How long ye simple ones will ye love simplicity, and fools hate knowledge?" Isn't this a part of your knowledge? That you have bought us by your votes to this calamity we are in, of falling prices, a twenty-five cent horse, two bits a day for work and take your pay in truck and turnover, or a fifty cent dollar, which if you don't like that, then tramp. Keep on selling your votes for a drink, or be forced to vote as the boss says, and times will get no better mighty fast. We think rather than go it blind and split your throats yelling for a party that has cried, "Homes for the Homeless" since 1856, you better quit, for all you have gained is homes for a rich few, and the rest debt ridden homes, poverty stricken homes, homeless homes and national bankruptcy, and your votes have done it. When you have had enough of this deceit then join us quickly and help us yelp, "America for Americans." Then you will see the great land slide of humanity, "coming with hurricane force, crashing down through ten thousand mountain gorges, echoing, "make way for liberty!" Let the coyote howl it, the lone owl hoot it and the grizzly bear growl it. One country, one flag, from Greenland's icy mountains, to Darien's golden strand—E Pluribus Unum.

If you are with us then show it by your work in every precinct in the state of Oregon by forming clubs if not more than three and as many more as you can get. And send a list of the officers and members to the representative secretary of the national executive committee of the silver party, W. J. Bennet, of Medford, Oregon, in order that you can receive papers and documents and don't forget to recommend some man in favor of the silver party in each county for chairman of the county executive committee for provisional work.

E. P. HAMMOND,
Chm State Ex Com, Silver Party,
W. J. Bennet, Sec.,
Medford, Oregon.

### Spanish Feeling Against Americans.

The resolutions and speeches at Washington on the subject of Cuba stirred up so much feeling against the United States in Spain that the Spanish government had its hands fully occupied for a good many days in suppressing mobs. The conduct of the university students at Madrid, Cadiz, and Barcelona was of so disorderly a nature that the universities were preemptorily closed, and will remain in a state of suspended animation for some time to come. The public burning of American flags, or their trampling in the dust under the feet of angry mobs, has been quite the regular proceeding in all parts of Spain; and nothing but great vigilance on the part of the authorities has prevented the mobbing of the American legation, and several consulates, from going so far as violence to the persons of our representatives. It is much to be regretted that all this feeling against the United States was so needlessly aroused. No possible benefit can result from the outburst of Spanish wrath against America. Although some of the senatorial speeches were so excessively uncomplimentary to Spain, and although every one in the United States has a very bad opinion of Spanish methods in the government of Cuba, it is not true that there has been any feeling whatever in the United States of hostility toward Spain or the Spanish people. With much sympathy for the Cuban people, and much disapproval of the policy of the Spanish government, there has been no unfriendliness toward the Spanish people. The young students in several American colleges who have, as a mere frolic, indulged in the burning of Spanish flags, have been guilty of a very objectionable sort of folly. Their behavior has been worth notice only because of the danger that it would lead to a misconception of American sentiment in Spain and Europe.—From "The Progress of the World," in the April Review of Reviews.

### 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 make, giving time for six weeks' publication.

—Legal blanks at THE MAIL office.

### THROUGH EUROPE.

IN the announcements of marriages in Spain, the ages of the contracting parties are always given.

BARRELS of wine, anchors, scythes—in fact all kinds of merchandise—are conveyed by the post office department.

IT is the custom for house builders in Germany to leave a small flat place on the roof of each house, for storks to rest and build on.

FRANCE has offered $100,000,000 to King Leopold for the Congo Free State, in case Belgium will not take it, according to Berlin reports.

SPAIN has just ordered that all steamers flying the Spanish flag or subsidized by the government shall in future carry none but Spanish engineers. The prevailing practice is to carry at least two British engineers, and formerly all were British.

MORTUARY tables show that the average duration of the life of women in European countries is something less than that of men. Notwithstanding this fact, of the list of centenarians collected by the British association, a fraction over two-thirds were women.

GERMANY'S proposal for the establishment of international postage stamps is being examined by the British post office authorities. Such a stamp would enable correspondents to inclose return postage for their answers, which they now cannot do. The principle has already been adopted in the international return postal card.



### A CORNER FOR SCIENTISTS.

IT has been found that bees find their way back to their hives from distances of about four miles, and that they fly with a velocity of about thirteen miles miles an hour.

TYPHOID fever cannot be transmitted by sewer gas, is the report of the experts to the London common council. The bacilli of the disease, also, find it hard to live in town sewage.

THE white rhinoceros has become nearly, if not quite, extinct. There are two stuffed specimens in England and one in the Cape Town museum. It is the largest species of the genus.

SIR BENJAMIN RICHARDSON, a noted English physician, thinks that the normal period of human life is about 110 years, and that seven out of ten average people ought to live that long if they took proper care of themselves.

HERR TREITL, a Vienna hardware merchant, who died recently at 91, left 800,000 florins of his fortune to the Vienna Academy of Sciences for the promotion of scientific research. He left a quarter of a million florins besides to charitable institutions.

PROF. MILTON WHITNEY, of Johns Hopkins university, has determined that in an ordinary wheat soil there is at least ten thousand million soil grains in a gram (about a pint), and in some of the finest soil this number has reached twenty-four thousand millions.

DR. SAVORY, an eminent English physician, in writing upon the subject of English gout, asserts that nearly the entire population of England sooner or later will become victims of the gout in one or more of its protean forms, not more than one-tenth of the people of that country escaping.

### Real Estate Transfers.

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| Thos F Fish to Agustus Moore 14 50-100 acres sec 38 and 94 65-100 acres sec 17 and 20 tp 37 | 10 |
| Charles Sharp to S W Wescott 160 acres sec 1 tp 35 s r 1 e | 10 |
| John P Dodge to Ira C Dodge 4½ acres tp 39 | 5 |
| J D Whitman to O & C R R Co, right of way for fence extending across d l c No 44 tp 37 s r 1 w | |
| F M Overbeck to Anna L Overbeck a ½ interest in and to 40 acres in sec 24 and a 1 6 interest in and to lots 1 and 2 blk 68 Pool & Klippel's add to Jacksonville | 1 |
| Wm Miller to Mrs M J Sheehan, a water ditch and water right in secs 32 and 35 tp 37, s r 4 w | 50 |
| Wm Miller to Mary Jane Sheehan 154 7-100 acres sec 31 tp 37 s r 4 w reserving a strip of land, southwest corner of sec 6 | 1200 |
| Wm P Farris to Geo O B DeBarr 160 acres sec 8 tp 38 s r 4 w | 100 |
| Ida Crane to Spencer Childers lot 5 blk 24 Medford | 800 |
| Jas L Woolridge to Emily Jane Woolridge 160 acres sec 32 tp 37 s r 4 w | 500 |
| A V Hunt to Ella J Cole lots 11 and 12 blk 56 Medford | 1100 |
| T J Rodgers to Mrs Lizzie E Norris lots 22, 23 and 24 blks 25 and 32 in Woolen's add to Ashland | 1829 |
| W W Wolters to J S Rodgers lots 22, 23 and 24 and blks 25 and 32 Woolen's add to Ashland | 1829 |
| C E Nininger to E J Churchman 5-100 acres secs 8 and 17 tp 39 s r 1 e | 1 |
| James N Dennis to C E Nininger 5-100 acres in secs 8 and 17 tp 39 s r 1 e | 10 |
| Edward Brace to C E Carder property in Galloway's add to Medford | 105 |
| D H Hawkins to W R Kincaid 15 acres sec 36 tp 38 s r 1 w | 174 |
| C P Parker to Mark Baker lot 7 blk 7 Gold Hill | 250 |

### Mining Locations.

H L White located Jan 6 the No 75 mining claim in Foots creek dist.

J P Bartlett located March 17, 20 acres of mining ground in Uniontown mining dist.

I C Dodge, water superintendent of city of Ashland, made affidavit Mar 31 that West Ashland ditches numbers 1 and 2 have been in use for the past two years.

Wm Arthurs located March 12 the Last Chance mining claim in Wagner creek dist.

S E Arthurs located March 12 the Hard to Find mining claim, same dist.

M A Van Garder located Mch 20 a placer mine in Grave creek dist.

L S Harper located March a placer mine in same dist.

L S Harper, M A Van Garder and L Schmucker located 400 inches of water flowing in Big Boulder creek March 20 Grave creek.

H J Hobbs located March 21 the Lynn mining claim, Foots creek.

E W Anderson located Oct 2, 1895 a placer claim on Squaw creek, Applegate dist.

Chas Bartlett located March 17 20 acres of mining ground on Star gulch.

W E Bartlett located March 17 20 acres of placer mining ground on Star gulch.

Harry Dunlap located March 15 20 acres of placer mining ground on Star gulch.

Ella Medynski located March 20 the Elmina quartz claim on Forest creek.

### DESERVED HONORS.

**Decorations of Royalty Which Have Been Fairly Won.**

There are princes and princesses who wear among their decorations medals for saving life at the risk of their own, medals that have not been granted by way of mere compliment, says the New York Mercury, but which have been honestly and honorably earned. Other monarchs whose courage and presence of mind entitle them to wear this highly-prized badge are prevented from so doing by reason of the fact that it falls within their own province to confer it, and they do not wish to bestow it upon themselves.

A royal lady decorated with this medal is Dowager Queen Pia of Portugal, who is as magnificent a swimmer as the queen regent of Spain or Princess Helen of Orleans. Queen Pia, while fully dressed, swam out into the sea at La Granja some years ago and rescued two children whose boat had been capsized by a heavy sea.

Her son, the present king of Portugal, ought by rights to wear one of these medals as well, having last year personally intervened in a struggle between two men and saved the life of the weaker of the two, in addition to holding the would-be murderer until assistance could be procured.

King Oscar of Sweden wears a life-saving medal, granted him before he ascended the throne by Emperor Napoleon III. He has the right to wear several medals of this sort, for the act of courage thus recognized by the French ruler is by no means the only service to humanity rendered by the royal Anak.

The feat which won him the medal was the stopping, on the Corniche road, of a pair of runaway horses which were on the point of precipitating themselves, along with the carriage and its occupants, over a precipice upon the rocks many hundred feet below.

At another time he plunged into the water to save a boy from drowning at Nice; and while serving in the Swedish navy he sprang overboard one very squally night to save a sailor who had fallen into the sea.

His son, Prince Oscar, wears a Swedish medal for saving the life of a drowning man whose boat had been capsized by a sudden puff in the port of Karlskrona.

Almost identically the same feat was performed two years ago by the gigantic Prince George of Greece, who dived from the quarter-deck of a man-of-war anchored in the Bay of Piræus to rescue a sailor. He has likewise been specially decorated by the emperor of Russia for preserving the tsarovitz from death in Japan.

—All the More Reason.—He had met with serious losses in business, and added to that his wife, whom he adored, was snatched away by death. He could neither eat nor sleep, and his friends were alarmed about his condition. One of them said to him: "You ought to consult a doctor." "What's the use? Life has lost all charms for me and I want to die, anyhow." "You want to die? All the more reason for calling a doctor."—Texas Siftings.